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5 Assam cops killed in Mizo border firing

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

AT least five Assam Police personnel were killed and over 50 others, including civilians, injured when the Assam-Mizoram border row flared up on Monday that saw the police of the two states firing at each other. Automatic weapons, including light machine guns, were used by the Mizoram Police in the attack, the Assam government alleged.

The injured included Assam's Cachar Superintendent of Police Nimbalkar Vaibhav Chandrakant and the officer-in-charge of a police station in the district.

Ironically, while Assam has a BJP government, the ruling party in Mizoram is an NDA ally.

"Clear evidences are now beginning to emerge that unfortunately show that Mizoram Police has used Light Machine Guns (LMG) against personnel of @assampolice," tweeted a horrified Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma later in the day.

The incident came amidst a fortnight-long eyeball-to-eyeball confrontation between the two police forces and two days after the CMs of the two states discussed the issue with Union Home Minister Amit Shah in Meghalaya capital Shillong.

Shah spoke to the two CMs on Monday and asked them to peacefully resolve the issue. Following his intervention, the Assam Police withdrew from the site. The CRPF is now manning the area.

Blaming Mizoram for the flare-up and breaching status quo, an Assam government statement said, "Mizoram began constructing a road towards Rengti Basti in Assam, destroying the Inner Line Reserve Forest in Lailapur area. Simultaneously, the Mizoram side also set up a new armed camp on a hillock next to the camp of the neutral force, CRPF, in the same vicinity."

When Assam officials went to the area to request the Mizoram side not to disturb status quo, "they were surrounded and attacked by a mob of miscreants from the Mizoram side, which was visibly supported by the Mizoram Police."

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WHO'S THE SQUATTER?

Border conflicts have occurred since Mizoram was carved out of Assam as a Union Territory in 1972 to eventually become a state in 1987

There have been several rounds of talks between the two states since 1995 to resolve the issue

Officials and locals in Assam claim Mizos have been squatting on **1-3 km** land from the interstate border

But Mizoram groups claim the authorities in Assam have been using 'illegal Bangladeshis' to move 10-12 km inside their territory

The official stand of Mizoram is that the boundary should be demarcated based on a notification of 1875 that distinguished the Lushai Hills (present day Mizoram and erstwhile district of Assam) from the plains of Cachar

1933

THE POINT OF CONFLICT IS ANOTHER BRITISH-ERA NOTIFICATION OF 1933 THAT ASSAM FOLLOWS BUT IS NOT ACCEPTABLE TO MIZORAM, WHICH SAYS THEIR ANCESTORS WERE NOT CONSULTED ON THIS

In 1971, the interstate boundary was redefined and Mizos say it was done without their knowledge or consent. Much of Mizo land under British rule was included into Assam territory

At a time when there were no cars, I remember cycling to places on work for the party. I built the party when there was no one to do it – BS Yediyurappa, Ex-Chief Minister

Challenges aplenty for successor

While the BJP has made a paradigm shift by daring to ask Yediyurappa to quit, with an eye on the 2023 Assembly polls, the outgoing CM's successor is likely to face many challenges | **P4**

Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot accepts resignation, dissolves council of ministers

Teary-eyed, BSY steps down as CM; suspense over successor continues

ANUSHA RAVI @ Bengaluru

ON the day his government completed two years in office, BS Yediyurappa resigned as Karnataka chief minister on Monday. The 78-year-old BJP veteran leader announced his decision to resign from the top post with tears in his eyes and choking voice.

On the elaborately decorated dais of Vidhana Soudha's banquet hall where celebrations for his government's second-year anniversary were being held, Yediyurappa gave a farewell speech, recalling his struggles and reminiscing on his hard work for the party, before stunning his supporters with the resignation bomb.

"I have decided to go to Raj Bhavan and submit my resignation as chief minister. I am not sad. I am happy that Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Home Minister Amit Shah and BJP national president JP Nadda gave me two additional years despite breaching the 75-year-old cap. Words are not enough to thank them. I appeal that all of us work together to build the party," he said at the end of his fiery and emotional speech, holding back tears.

With this, the four-time chief minister finally drew curtains on speculation over leadership change in the State.

"At a time when there were no cars, I remember cycling to places on work for the party. I built the party when there was no one to do it," he said, recalling his contribution to the party. Despite being a four-time chief minister, Yediyurappa has held the post only for five years and two months in total. With his exit, the chorus from religious leaders, who have been backing the 78-year-old, to bring in a Lingayat leader as chief minister has grown louder.

From Vidhana Soudha, Yediyurappa went straight to Raj Bhavan, where Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot wasted no time in accepting his two-line resignation letter, and issued a statement saying the council of ministers had been dissolved.

More than just tears

While the BJP has made efforts to deal with the supporters of outgoing CM BS Yediyurappa, clearly informing them to maintain party discipline, the leadership may not have factored in the raw anger in the Lingayat community. Nor did it factor in the effect of Yediyurappa's tears on the community. This feeling was simmering for about a week, ever since talk began of Yediyurappa's potential exit, and it exploded on social media on Monday. **P4**

Rejig of govt on cards

A complete revamping of the government is on the cards with BJP inclined at appointing four deputy chief ministers to take care of caste and regional equations. "I resigned voluntarily. Nobody coerced me to quit. I have decided to work for the party, and I will not accept any decorative posts," Yediyurappa asserted when asked if he would become the governor of a state. His claim of voluntary resignation is contradictory to the severe pushback he gave the BJP central leadership over the last few weeks.

The suspense over who will succeed him, however, continues. The BJP central leadership is expected to send an observer to Karnataka -- Dharmendra Pradhan perhaps -- to review the BJP Legislature Party meeting which is likely to be called on Wednesday or Thursday, where a new chief minister will be named.

While he may have resigned as chief minister, Yediyurappa has refused to walk quietly into the sunset, insisting that he will continue to be in active politics and work for the party. **P4**

HOW THE DRAMA UNFOLDED

JUNE 6
BS Yediyurappa says he will resign from his post the day the BJP central leadership asks him to

JUNE 16-18
After many BJP leaders speak openly against Yediyurappa, BJP general secretary Arun Singh holds a series of meetings with party leaders in Bengaluru. He says action will be taken against those speaking against the CM

JUNE 17
Yediyurappa meets PM Narendra Modi

JUNE 18
Yediyurappa meets BJP national president JP Nadda, denies reports of his resignation

JUNE 20
Seers from Lingayat and other communities back Yediyurappa, warn BJP against leadership change

JUNE 22
Yediyurappa breaks silence, says the high command will send a message

JUNE 25
CM visits flood-hit areas in Belagavi, says he will abide by high command's directions. Yediyurappa hints that he will step down

JUNE 26
He announces resignation at a ceremony to mark two years of government, says there was no pressure from the high command

JUNE 26
Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot accepts Yediyurappa's resignation, dissolves council of ministers. Yediyurappa to continue as chief minister till alternative arrangements are made

Staying in K'taka, BSY makes it clear he will not be a 'Margdarshak'

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

BS Yediyurappa, who resigned on Monday, could have continued as chief minister till August 2, but decided to put in his papers on the day he completed two years in office.

He had initially planned to visit Karwar in Uttara Kannada district, where floods have caused havoc, on Monday afternoon, but chose not to, as he did not want to hang on for another week, sources close to Yediyurappa told *TNIE*.

Sending out a clear message to his political detractors and the party high command that he is not among those who will join the "Margdarshak Mandal", the retirement home for party leaders who have crossed 75 years of age, Yediyurappa made it clear on Monday that he will be active in state politics and will not accept any assignment outside the State.

"I will work day and night to strengthen the party in the State to bring BJP back to power. We will start tomorrow," he said.

"There is no question of taking up governor's or any other position outside the State. Prime Minister Vajpayee had invited me to be part of his ministry, but I had declined as I wanted to work in the State," Yediyurappa said. Political analyst Prof Sandeep Shastri said the BJP high command would have loved to have him posted as governor and send him away from Karnataka, but he has fought back. **P5**

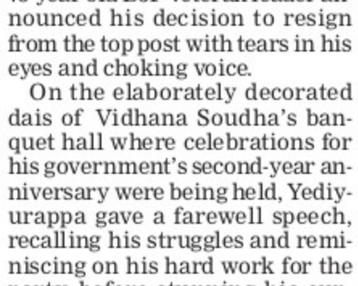
EXPRESS READ

Biden to announce end of US combat mission in Iraq

Washington: US President Joe Biden and Iraqi PM Mustafa al-Kadhimi are expected to announce that they have come to an agreement to end the US military's combat mission in Iraq by the end of the year, according to a US official.

Militant killed in encounter with forces in J-K's Kulgam

Srinagar: An unidentified militant was killed in an encounter with security forces in Kulgam district of Jammu and Kashmir on Monday, police said. Security forces had launched a search operation in the Aharbal area of the district.



Veteran film actor Jayanthi passes away

Bengaluru: Eminent multi-lingual film actor Jayanthi, who had acted in more than 500 films in a career spanning around five decades, passed away on Monday, family sources said. The 76-year old, who acted in films in five languages, was suffering from age-related ailments and undergoing treatment for quite some time.

WELCOME BACK

Tokyo Olympic silver medallist Mirabai Chanu speaks to media after landing in New Delhi on Monday

All things new and old

TOKYO 2020

A pair of 13-year-olds finished 1-2 in a new event while a 58-year-old walked away with bronze, underlining that age does not matter at the Olympics. A look at action from Tokyo on Monday...

Age is just a number: Japan's Momiji Nishiya and Brazil's Rayssa Leal, both 13, won gold and silver women's skateboarding. The new event has proved be a smash hit. At 58 years, Abdullah Al-Rashidi won a bronze in skeet shooting | **P15,16**

Redemption time: After a poor individual round, the four mixed team pairs (two in 10m air pistol and two in 10m air rifle) have a chance at redemption. If they tackle the qualifying, they have a good chance to win a medal

Mamata takes lead to form snoopgate probe panel, Justice Lokur to head it

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kolkata

WITH the Centre blocking Opposition demands to come clean on the Pegasus snoopgate, Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee sprang a surprise by setting up an inquiry commission headed by retired Supreme Court judge Madan Lokur into the matter.

Coming as it did on the day she arrived in Delhi to explore options of forging Opposition unity, setting up the panel sent an unambiguous message of her being the most strident opponent of Modi rule, thus giving her the right to lead the proposed coalition and sustain the momentum till the next general elections in 2024.

Talking to media before boarding a flight to Delhi, Mamata claimed the Centre had used the spyware to tune into a meeting she had with her advisor Prashant Kishor. "He (Kishor) got his cellphone audited and came to know that they (Centre) knew of one of our meetings through Pegasus," she alleged.

She had earlier brandished a taped handset to take a swipe at the Centre, following reports of her nephew Abhishek Banerjee's name figuring on a list of potential targets.

The BJP, however, was not amused, with its IT cell chief Amit Malviya tweeting, "Why are we even surprised that Mamata Banerjee has constituted a commission to probe bogus Pegasus Project? Her priorities have always been warped. If only she had shown such alacrity to probe post-poll violence and probe several Covid scams in Bengal."

Parliament stalled

Both Houses of Parliament on Monday saw repeated adjournments amid Opposition clamour for discussion on Pegasus snoopgate in the presence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home minister Shah | **P9**

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Dists with more cases saw fewer students on campuses

While some were overjoyed to meet friends, others stayed away due to fear of the virus

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

WITH colleges reopening on Monday, about 50 per cent of students were back to attend physical classes. Although most students across the state were excited to meet their friends after such a long time, others decided to wait and see what the situation was before joining offline classes.

According to principals of colleges, districts which saw high number of cases and deaths, saw fewer students in campuses. For instance in Mysuru, the city saw thin attendance on the first day. Major colleges including Maharani's College, Maharaja's College, Yuvaraja's College, Saradavilas College, various PG departments at Manasagangotri campus of the University of Mysore, wore a deserted look.

Stating that the students turnout was less than expected, Maharani's College Principal Dr B T Vijay said that the online classes are still on. "We have organised six vaccination drives and over 80-85 per cent of students were inoculated. We are expecting more students back in the campus soon," he said.

Similarly in Tumakuru, the attendance at the Government Women's First Grade College was dismal. A mere 20 per cent of the students turned up. "Since they had an option to attend online classes, students chose to stay away. Also, with the Tumakuru University (TU) declaring that examination will be held from August 2, most students might be home preparing," informed the Principal Dr T R Leelavathi. Meanwhile, in Mangaluru, nearly 250 students out of over 2,300 turned up at Government Degree College in Car Street, Mangaluru.

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Dr B T Vijay, Principal, Maharani's College

Deputy Chief Minister and Minister of Higher Education Dr C N Ashwath Narayan, on Sunday had announced that students who are above 18 years, and vaccinated with at least one dose can attend classes. However, in some colleges, students who were not inoculated were sent back home. "We sent about 20 students back home to send a message that vaccination is mandatory," said the principal of one of the colleges.

Most colleges record at least 50% turnout

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA
@ Bengaluru

ON the first of colleges reopening, higher educational institutes across the state recorded at least 50 per cent attendance.

Bengaluru City University claimed to have more than 70 per cent attendance among their 1,000-odd students. Vice Chancellor Lingaraja Gandhi told The New Indian Express that students who were vaccinated were called to campus and added that the drive to vaccinate the others is still going on.

Meanwhile, students were allowed to attend classes online as well. Bangalore University Vice Chancellor Venugopal told TNIE that the attendance in affiliated colleges remained at 50 to 60 per cent among the almost one lakh students. Of those on BU campus, 90 per cent have already been vaccinated, informed the V-C and added that students who are scared to come back to campus will be counselled.

An official from Bengaluru North University, that has 250 affiliated colleges and just 779 students on its campus on the postgraduate centre, said that the colleges that reported back to them saw a 40 per cent attendance.

Vice Chancellor T D Kemparaju told TNIE that the attendance was poor owing to several students coming from rural areas, and lack of proper transport.

DOWN THE DRAIN

After preparing for weeks, city fails to handle rain fury

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

THE heavy downpour in Bengaluru over the weekend has exposed the city's faulty infrastructure. Even as the government and civic agencies bragged about their rain preparedness over the past few weeks, inundated road and waterlogged streets painted a different picture. That is not all, the stagnated water gave rise to worries of dengue and malaria, which are already on the rise.

According to the India Meteorological Department (IMD) officials, the city received 59.8mm rainfall and HAL observatory recorded 47.2mm rainfall. Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) control room received waterlogging complaints from 15 places including underpasses at Beniganahallli, Nayanadanahalli, Majestic, Malleswaram near Mantri Mall, RR Nagar and KR Market.

The heavy rain also damaged the recently redone pavements at Commercial Street and Sheshadripuram. Citizens from HAL 3rd stage, EWS quarters in Eijipura, Wilson Garden 10th cross and Thanisandra also complained about waterlogged streets.

Several areas of the city were inundated due to heavy rainfall on Monday

BBMP's rain preparedness

"BBMP had claimed that the city can handle up to 70mm rainfall in one hour. But the city did not receive so much the entire day, yet the streets were flooded. This just shows the lack of planning and coordination among agencies," said Bhavani M, a citizen.

With the help of Karnataka State Natural Disaster Monitoring Centre (KSNDMC), the BBMP had identified 210 vulnerable points in the city and had installed sensors to alert agencies about flood. The Palike had also desilted drains and along with the revenue department, identified encroachments on stormwater drains.

"What is the point of the sensors when citizens are not informed about rising water levels in advance," questioned Karthik, another citizen.

BBMP Chief Commissioner Gaurav Gupta said, "The city is spread over 800sqkm, and the flooding did not happen everywhere. Whenever we received a complaint on flooding, we immediately addressed it. There are some low-lying flood-prone areas and we are working to resolve the issue."

Pavements were damaged because of poor execution of work. Roads were inundated because of delays in executing work by the contractors
Smart City official

'POOR EXECUTION OF WORK BY ENGINEERS'

V Ravichandar, an urban planner, said, "No amount of planning will help when there is exceptional rainfall. The drains are under-sized and the work done by engineers are of poor quality. Ideally, when it rains, the standing water should drain within 20 minutes." Srinivas Alavili from Janaagraha said that the ideal way to address flooding is to involve the people who are most affected to find a solution. "The city management needs to be decentralised to the grassroots level to identify the encroachments. The real estate mafia is the prime cause of flooding. The natural drainage network has been encroached," he added.

NIMHANS to host seminar on music and cognition

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

FOR the first time, National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences (NIMHANS) will be hosting the 16th International Conference on Music Perception and Cognition (ICMPC), in collaboration with European Society for the Cognitive Sciences of Music.

Top scholars across the globe in fields of psychology, cognitive neuroscience, music theory and composition, musicology, psychophysics, music performance, music education, music therapy, music medicine, neurophysiology, ethnomusicology, developmental psychology, linguistics, computer modeling, and related fields will take part in the virtual conference between July 28 and July 31.

"600 peer-reviewed research papers from across the globe will be presented in multi-disciplinary fields including neuroscience of music, music and language, helping patients with difficulty in language processing using music, regulating emotions with music, melody and rhythm impact emotional experience, understanding the function of the human brain, how one acquires musical ability and more," said Dr Shantala Hegde, Associate professor of Neuropsychology, Department of Clinical Psychology at NIMHANS.

"Music engages both the left and right side of the brain and serves purposes beyond mere entertainment. We study this in our music cognition lab, which is the first-of-its-kind in the country, working towards building evidence-based interventions using Indian music," the doctor added. There will be a session on the effects of music on Covid as well.

There will be four main hubs in Australia, India, UK and US, with symposiums and workshops.

ACCESS CONTROL SYSTEM TO MAKE COMEBACK AT KSR RLY STATION

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

KSR Bengaluru railway station's move to ensure security within the station by keeping track of every vehicle entering and departing its premises, is set to make a comeback. The Access Control System will be launched within a week at the front and back gates of the station.

This means that whenever a vehicles stops at the boom gates, its details will be recorded. "Similar to the parking token issued, a token will be given indicating the vehicle number and arrival time. When it leaves, the departure time will be noted. This is an added layer of security introduced to act as a deterrent against any act that could endanger public security," said a senior railway official.

Indian Railway Station Development Corporation (IRSDC), a special purpose vehicle created to upgrade passenger amenities at railway stations across the country, is responsible for KSR station. Installation of the system was put on hold due to the pandemic. Now, contractor are again working to re-install the infrastructure so that the system becomes operational.

Giving details on Access Control charges, the official said, "A two-wheeler or four-wheeler can enter and leave the station free of charge up to a maximum of seven minutes. From the eighth minute onwards, a charge will be levied for using the station premises. This works out to Rs 15 for every additional five minutes for two-wheelers and Rs 25 for four-wheelers for every additional five minutes."

Access control for all vehicles at KSR rstation to restart in a week | EXPRESS

The IRSDC stands to gain a fixed fee of Rs 15 lakh per month through the Access Control System.

This fee is different from the parking fee. "If one enters the parking zone and gets a token there, then only the parking fee applies," the official said.

Asked about the footfall in the railway station presently, another official said that it ranged between 30,000 and 40,000 daily.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

27th July: It's an Aquarian day today, which reminds me of that old song about the 'dawning of the Age of Aquarius'. Some people say that this is an age of peace and enlightenment. I hope this is true but, first, I think our world governments need to sort out their priorities – and quick!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
You're bound to be working too hard at the moment. Even if you are not currently in employment, there is every chance that you will be putting extra energy into voluntary activities. Somehow you just have to keep going. But don't wear yourself out.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
All the signs point to increased activity at work, and possibly a minor crisis prompted by a breakdown of communication. One of your jobs will be to clear up the mess left by inconsiderate colleagues. In fact, you're soon going to be given an amazing second chance.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
An old romantic attachment may have a beneficial legacy in your work, perhaps because you're now more dependent on social contacts for professional advancement. You can only gain from learning to cope with adverse circumstances. You'll end up wiser and stronger.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
Fraught conditions in private and public life make this a time of tension, although you'd be making a mistake if you overlooked the positive aspects. Those periods of most productive change often prove to be difficult, but the end results will be worth it.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Are your stars positive? Well, yes, in general they are. So that should please you. It should also be enough to give you the extra confidence needed to promote your assets and advantages. Sure, there'll be a few difficulties, but they're in the background and easily dealt with.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
You may be tempted into expensive purchases, but make sure you only spend what you can afford. Check all the paperwork is in order as you might decide to demand your money back quite soon. You've got a lot on your plate this week, but you'll be putting most effort into your relationships.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Partners may not agree with some of your plans, but there's no reason why you shouldn't go it alone. Keep friends happy by fulfilling social obligations and being totally reliable. Venus, your planetary ruler, is linking up with romantic positions. Result? You'll be dreaming of the perfect love.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
Be careful not to laugh at others because you could also be caught out, at least in one area of your life. Travel plans could be subject to irritating delays, but nothing too serious. A secret plan will also soon be thrown into reverse - so keep smiling.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
A busy day is likely if you allow yourself to be sucked into other people's problems. Children and close friends will expect you to perform favours and clear up tricky situations. That's quite a good development in many senses, for small jobs will take your mind off major issues.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
A domestic tiff may flare up during the day, but a brief argument could be a necessary step towards a balanced discussion on your family's future. It's possible that someone close to you has received some disappointing news, and in that case your job is to spread a little light.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
You may feel put upon today, and carefully laid arrangements could well start to unravel before your very eyes. It seems that someone you rely on could be in an unreasonable mood. However, you can afford to be gracious at the moment, and that means being kind to your enemies.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Your general approach should be solid, business like and thoroughly efficient. Do you think you can manage this? If not, you may be in trouble. But, if you deal with every single tiny detail you will doubtless come out well on top. It's all in the small print!

THE PHANTOM

HI AND LOIS

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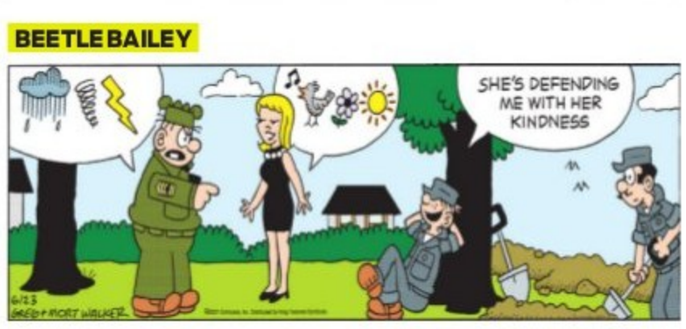

BLONDIE

HAPPY LIMERICK DAY, BOSS!! "THERE ONCE WAS A MAN NAMED DITHERS...WHOSE PROFITS HE WISHED NOT TO WITHER"
"HE OFTEN WOULD SHOUT AT ONE LAZY LOUT... "GET BACK TO WORK!!"
THAT DIDN'T EVEN RHYME
IT DID TO ME!

LOCKHORNS

DENNIS THE MENACE

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Evil: Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.

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Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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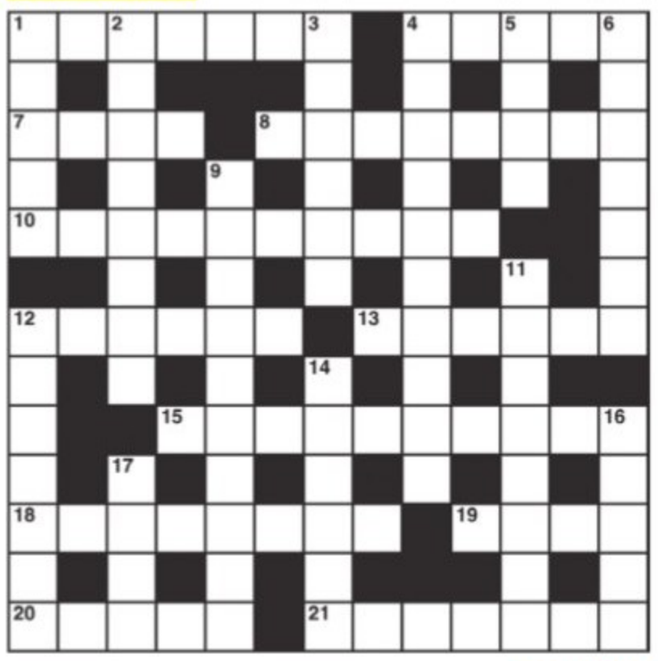
CROSS WORD



ACROSS
1 Markedly impressed (7)
4 He copies Roman numbers (5)
7 Sailor boy in his hammock (4)
8 Wise step in the present era (5,3)
10 Not a direct form of slander (10)
12 They may be all in a quiver (6)
13 Put down the spirit (6)
15 Sea water in one's watch (10)
18 Don't hand over if equipped to carry cargo (8)
19 Look low we hear (4)
20 Object to being endlessly sober (5)
21 Accepts another contract and quits (7)

DOWN
1 Pulls up the grass (5)
2 Opening for a photographer (8)
3 Posted an order to warehouses (6)
4 Little may be seen through it (10)
5 New-made liquor (4)
6 He is involved with a cheat and is naturally spotted (7)
9 Unfair conditions (3,7)
11 Walking free of pain outside (8)
12 Let everyone with a ring get married (7)
14 Head branch (6)
16 A class in biology (5)
17 Stop - this is a hold up! (4)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Sick at heart, 9 Unloose, 10 Tenon, 11 Harm, 12 Sinecure, 14 Urgent, 16 Pestle, 18 Haltered, 19 Spot, 22 Oiled, 23 Latvian, 24 Roadsweeper.

Down: 2 Idler, 3 Know, 4 Thesis, 5 Extremes, 6 Renault, 7 Hush-hush job, 8 Interesting, 13 Intended, 15 Galileo, 17 Fellow, 20 Pride, 21 Stye.

JUMBLE By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

ALYNM

CABHE

FYLOST

VOLIJA

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TRACKING COVID-19

SPEED AND RISE OF COVID-19 CASES IN KARNATAKA

1,606 CASES REPORTED TODAY

TALLY STANDS AT

TODAY	28,96,163
YESTERDAY	28,94,557

1,001 CASES REPORTED YESTERDAY

DEATHS

TODAY	YESTERDAY
31	22

The first Covid-19 case in Karnataka was reported on March 8, 2020. Since then until July 24, 2021, a total of 28,93,556 cases have been reported in 1 year and 134 days...

DISCHARGES

TODAY	YESTERDAY
1,937	1,465

Active cases

TODAY	23,057
YESTERDAY	23,419

POSITIVITY RATE

TODAY	7.62 %
YESTERDAY	7.64%

The day positivity rate – 1.40 % – is calculated as the number of patients testing positive out of 100 tests conducted only in a day.

MORTALITY RATE

TODAY	1.25%
YESTERDAY	1.25%

RECOVERY RATE

TODAY	97.94%
YESTERDAY	97.93%

DISTRICT-WISE COVID CASES

LAST 24 HOURS

467 BENGALURU URBAN

17 BENGALURU RURAL

Bagalkot	0
Ballari	0
Belagavi	10
Bidar	0
Chamarajanagar	54
Chikkaballapur	7
Chikkamagaluru	38
Chitradurga	36
Dakshina Kannada	357
Davanagere	11
Dharwad	8
Gadag	10
Hassan	57
Haveri	2
Kalaburagi	0
Kodagu	19
Kolara	28
Koppala	0
Mandya	40
Mysuru	162
Raichuru	2
Ramanagara	3
Shivamogga	52
Tumakuru	59
Udupi	78
Uttara Kannada	19
Vijayapura	9
Yadagiri	2

New CM will have to take tough decisions, increase health infra

Experts fear leadership change could lead to cabinet rejig, want continuation of BSY's policies

CHETANA BELAGERE
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The new chief minister will take charge at a time when Karnataka is staring at a possible Covid-19 third wave | SHRIRAM BN

IT'S been two years of "trial by fire" for the B S Yediyurappa-led Karnataka government, even in managing the pandemic, say health experts. Appreciating Yediyurappa for taking some tough decisions, and critical about a few others, besides U-turns on policy announcements, the medical fraternity and public health experts listed out some issues the new Chief Minister will have to immediately focus on, with the third Covid wave expected to wash in.

The biggest challenge would be to ensure that schools open, and procure vaccines on an urgent basis, say doctors. "Covid-19 is not yet over. The vaccination rate should at least be doubled to avoid the third wave, and focus should be on framing an informed policy to reopen schools," says Prof. Sashikumaar Ganesan, Chairman, Department of Computational and Data Sciences, Indian Institute of Science (IISc).

Agreeing that vaccination can be ramped up only if vaccines are procured, Dr Manjunath CN, Covid-19 Techincal Advisory Committee member and director of Jayadeva Hospital, says Yediyurappa faltered in some situations, especially in allowing gatherings – political, religious, and opening of cinemas -- leading to big spike in cases. "This should definitely be avoided. The new CM will have to take tough decisions and not allow any gatherings, even celebrations of his appointment," he said.

Expressing concern that a leadership change may lead to reshuffling of the cabinet, Dr Chandrakant Lahariya, epidemiologist, vaccinologist, public health, and policy expert, says decisions taken by the previous government must continue. "Change in the government can mean a new cabinet, and possibly, a new health minister. There should be continuity in health-related decisions," he said.

The new CM should ensure increase in allocation for health to at least 8% of the state budget, filling of existing vacancies in government facilities, and attention to making primary healthcare facilities functional.

Dr Silvia Karpagam, public health doctor and researcher, St John's Medical College, said a surge in malnutrition is expected. "The new CM should not just give people cereals and millets, but also subsidised pulses, legumes, eggs, meat, poultry and fish. Livelihoods have to be supported, especially of the marginalised. Post the anti-cattle slaughter ban, those who lost their livelihood have to be supported," she explained. Appreciating Yediyurappa for taking a stance against communalisation of the pandemic and targeting of the Muslim community, Dr Silvia says it was a "positive intervention".

Calling Yediyurappa a "man of the masess with grassroots connect", Dr H Sudarshan Ballal, Chairman, Manipal Hospitals, says, "The ferocity of the second wave was unprecedented and unexpected. We interacted closely with Yeddiyurappa during these periods, and he led from the front. One of his greatest qualities was that he took the private sector along, and because of this, the Covid crisis was managed much better. We need to have robust healthcare infrastructure and personnel, especially in rural areas. More paediatric infrastructure, digital technology, triaging facilities are also a priority."

6 dists see high weekly change in caseload

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Bengaluru Urban (8,182), Dakshina Kannada (2,158), Hassan (1,802), Mysuru (1,552), Tumakuru (1,327) and Udupi (1,102) have the most active cases, of the 23,057 active cases in Karnataka. In these districts, the week-on-week change in cases is noticeable: 115.3% in Dakshina Kannada, 101.4% in Udupi, 99.8% in Bengaluru Urban, 80.3% in Tumakuru, 75.6% in Mysuru, and 66.3% in Hassan. Among the rural population, 14 villages in Dakshina Kannada have seen high prevalence in the past seven days.

Among the worst-hit urban areas are Somwarpet in Kodagu, Kaup in Udupi, Nelamangala in Bengaluru Rural, Nanjangud in Mysuru, Sullia in Dakshin Kannada, Anekal in Bengaluru Urban and Tiptur in Tumakuru. Kodagu the highest week-on-week percentage change at 140.1%.

Dr M K Sudarshan, chairman of Covid-19 Technical Advisory Committee, said, "A vast majority of active cases are under home isolation and need to complete at least the 10-day period. Hospital cases are going down. Nothing in the daily data is alarming, with some districts even reporting zero cases."

IN BREAKTHROUGH INFECTION CASES, MOST PATIENTS SHOW MILD SYMPTOMS

RANJANI MADHAVAN
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HOSPITALS are reporting cases of breakthrough infections where people who have been vaccinated against Covid-19 have received one or two doses, but have still contracted SARS-CoV-2. These patients have milder symptoms and recover. However, in some rare cases, there have been deaths as well, among patients who had comorbidities.

In Jayanagar General Hospital, in the past one month, 23 deaths have taken place due to Covid-19. Of these, three had taken the first dose and one person the second dose, while the remaining had not taken even a single dose.

"Those who had taken the vaccine have mild symptoms, except for these four cases. The 54-year-old male who got both doses, suffered from hypertension as well. The remaining three who got one dose, suffered hypothyroidism and were on ventilator. Usually, Covid patients with hypothyroidism suffer prolonged disease, where deaths can only be delayed and not prevented," said Sudha B M, Covid nodal officer at Jayanagar General Hospital.

At Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research, 30 healthcare workers got Covid even after being vaccinated, with one of them requiring hospitalisation, but was cured. The remaining had mild symptoms and were not hospitalised. "There was no mortality in any of these cases. The cardiac surgeon who was admitted had fever, cough and breathlessness, but was cured. The remaining had mild symptoms of fever, bodyache and common cold," said Dr C N Manjunath, director of Jayadeva.

At Manipal Hospitals, Dr Basavaraj Kuntoji, consultant, Internal Medicine, has seen many patients who got mild, moderate or severe Covid infection after taking one dose of the vaccine. There were deaths among these patients too, including the need for ICU and ventilator. "Two weeks after taking the second dose, some hospital staff got a mild infection and were cured after 4 to 5 days. A CT scan revealed that there was no lung involvement. It did not progress to moderate, severe, ICU or death. This demonstrates the effectiveness of the vaccine and mirrors what took place in the vaccine trials," Dr Kuntoji said.

Dr Smitha Segu, nodal officer for Covid at Victoria Hospital, said several doctors and nursing staff got Covid-19 even after getting both doses of the vaccine but they had mild symptoms, no complications or admission. They were isolated at home with fever, sore throat and cough, and all of them recovered.

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THE TURBULENT TWO YEARS

- **JUL 2019:** BS Yediyurappa takes oath as the CM after 17 MLAs from the Congress-JDS coalition join BJP
- **JUL/AUG 2019:** With no Cabinet yet, Yediyurappa travels alone to flood-affected areas
- **AUG 2019:** Inducts first set of ministers into Cabinet
- **DEC 2019:** Under Yediyurappa's leadership, BJP wins bypolls in 12 of the 15 constituencies
- **FEB 2020:** Makes most of the turncoat legislators ministers
- **MAR 2020:** Faces challenges due to pandemic and subsequent lockdown
- **AUG 2020:** Yediyurappa tests positive for Covid-19, hospitalised
- **OCT 2020:** BJP wins Sira and RR Nagar bypolls
- **MAR 2021:** Presents budget amid Covid-19 crisis
- **MAY 2021:** BJP wins bypolls to Belagavi Lok Sabha constituency and Basavakalyan Assembly seat, but loses Maski

- Drops resignation bomb at an event held to mark his govt's second-year anniversary
- BJP will have to deal with the wrath of the powerful Lingayat community
- Council, panchayat polls an immediate litmus test for the next chief minister

Exit may lead to political churn

Yediyurappa's successor will have his task cut out

K SHIVA KUMAR @ Mysuru

THE BJP has made a paradigm shift in Karnataka by daring to replace the popular B S Yediyurappa -- probably with a younger leader -- with an eye on the 2023 Assembly elections. What it has not quite taken into account is that Yediyurappa's successor is likely to have many challenges ahead, and not much time to prepare for the Legislative Council and panchayat polls around the corner.

Panchayat polls are considered to be a semi-final of the Assembly polls, with 60 per cent of the state electorate voting, and could throw up future trends.

A strong leader's presence is a must for the BJP to return to power on its own, overriding anti-incumbency. The BJP will have to capture rural panchayats for a strong foundation, and shed its image as an urban party. Though the Graduates and Teachers constituencies, over the decades, are considered to be safe seats for the BJP, elections to 25 Legislative Council seats from local authorities are slated to be held before July 2022.

Though the cabinet has decided to put off panchayat polls till December, citing the prevailing pandemic situation, it is up to the State Election Commission to decide on the fate of the elections, which will test the mettle of the new leadership.

There are 3,902 seats in 176 Taluk Panchayats and 1,083 seats in 31 Zilla Panchayats that will go to polls. The new Chief Minister, with less than 21 months to go for assembly elections, should have the ability to sink differences and fight polls as one unit, taking along the strong Veerashaiva vote bank and others. He will have to work on social engineering to take on the opposition Congress and JDS in Old Mysuru region effectively.

Apart from dealing with these forces, he should also keep himself in the good books of Yediyurappa and his family, as it would be difficult for any Chief Minister to face elections without Yediyurappa or son Vijayendra, and also keep the opposition at bay. Their absence or neglect will not go down well with party cadres and the Lingayat community. The new Chief Minister should also live up to the expectations of the high command and take along all 17 migrants who are responsible for installing the BJP government in power.

The Congress, that launched its '100 Not Out' campaign against fuel prices and reached out to people during the pandemic, has already built pressure on the State Election Commission to conduct panchayat polls on time. The JDS, that is keenly watching developments in the BJP, has started groundwork for polls in pockets where it has a strong presence Vokkaliga-dominated constituencies in Old Mysuru.

BS Yediyurappa outside the Raj Bhavan after submitting his resignation as chief minister to Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot in Bengaluru on Monday | SHRIRAM BN

BJP may not have gauged Lingayat rage

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

WHILE the BJP has taken great pains to deal with outgoing CM B S Yediyurappa's supporters in the party, clearly informing them to maintain party discipline, the leadership may not have factored in the raw anger among Lingayats. Nor did it factor in the effect of Yediyurappa's tears on the community.

This anger was simmering for about a week, ever since talk began on Yediyurappa's possible resignation, and it exploded on social media on Monday. WhatsApp groups, Facebook and other social media posts by members of the community, especially the Veerashaiva Mahasabha, Basava Dala and other Lingayat groups, saw an outpouring of outrage and even abuse through the day, after Yediyurappa stepped down.

The Lingayats are an influential caste group in Karnataka, forming a sizeable majority in 124 seats and accounting for 16-17% of the population. There are over 4,000 Lingayat mutts and about 100 mutts wield wide influence. Supporters of these mutts displayed anger and indignation that Yediyurappa was handed a raw deal, when he had battled Covid and floods effectively. That he was having to step down due to his age was another bugbear. "Was Yediyurappa not already 75 when he was projected as the CM face in 2018, when he was given a mandate for 5 years, how can they force him to resign?" wrote one angry supporter. Their other argument was that when the BJP had projected Metro Man E Sreedharan, who is 89 years old, as chief ministerial candidate for Kerala, how can it ask Yediyurappa to step down when he is only 78 years old.

Some supporters contended that Yediyurappa was not being consulted on his successor, which is the least the central leadership can do. "It is not a BJP government but a coalition that Yediyurappa worked on carefully for 14 months before getting 17 MLAs to resign and forming the government, now they have shown him the door," said one supporter.

Political analyst B S Murthy concurred that the Lingayat anger is still an unknown quantity. "It appears that the BJP's assessment of BS Yediyurappa's exit revolves around party legislators and cadres who they assume would support the party regardless of the outcome, but it may have misjudged the raw anger among voters, especially community members spread over Karnataka, Telangana and Maharashtra."

Angry members of the community said the time to express this anger is during the 2023 and 2024 elections. They recalled grimly that a Lingayat holds the key to power: when a Lingayat was projected as CM in the Congress in 1989, the party won 175 seats, and when a Lingayat leader was removed, it won only 34 seats.

Gloom in BSY camp, rebels celebrate

BANSY KALAPPA @ BENGALURU

IT was a study in contrast: a sombre mood descended on the B S Yediyurappa camp, while there was much celebration in the rebel camp. A large number of Yediyurappa's supporters looked downcast and clearly unhappy. Yediyurappa's associate and former political secretary MP Renukacharya couldn't hide his emotions and tears as he tweeted, "Today is the sadest day of my entire political career...."

Yediyurappa's family members, though, were extremely restrained in public, while son and Shivamogga MP B Y Raghavendra and BJP state vice-president B Y Vijayendra showed no visible sadness -- both in Vidhana Soudha or later.

By contrast, the rebel camp erupted in happiness, as they watched visuals of Yediyurappa handing over his resignation. The foursome -- Basanagouda Yatnal, Arvind Bellad, CP Yogeeshwara and Adagur Vishwanath – have been celebrating with many openly congratulating them.

Cong hopes to regain lost Lingayat support

ASHWINI M SRIPAD@ Bengaluru

WITH Lingayat strongman BS Yediyurappa stepping down as chief minister, Congress is looking at consolidating its Lingayat vote bank that it lost after the removal of Veerendra Patil as chief minister in 1990. Lingayats constitute around 20 per cent of the state's population and are a major political force.

Experts said that even if BJP picks a Lingayat as the next CM, Yediyurappa's resignation will have an impact on the poll prospects of saffron party in the next Assembly polls.

Veerendra Patil, a popular Lingayat leader, was removed unceremoniously by then Congress president Rajiv Gandhi in 1990, citing his ill-health. Infuriated Lingayats shifted their loyalties en bloc to the Janata Party and later to BJP. In fact, it was Patil who mobilised Lingayats as a religious block and formed vote bank in favour of Congress. The party won 179 of 224 Assembly seats in 1989. Once Patil was removed, it faced a humiliating defeat in the 1994 polls winning just 36 seats.

The wrath of Lingayats cannot be taken lightly and BJP has already faced defeat in 2013 when Yediyurappa resigned from BJP and formed KJP. His party made a big dent in the Lingayat vote share of BJP, which managed just 40 seats, down from 110 that it won in 2008. With the return of Yediyurappa and Modi wave, it won 17 of 28 Lok Sabha seats in Karnataka. "Without Yediyurappa, BJP will not see a landslide win in any elections," said a BJP leader.

Anilkumar T of All-India Veerashaiva Mahasabha warned, "BJP came to power because of Yediyurappa. Though there are other Lingayat leaders in BJP, nobody has the calibre of Yediyurappa. Now, Congress seems to have an edge. The Veerendra Patil incident will repeat... but this time for BJP.".

KPCC working president Eshwar Khandre, who is also the secretary-general of Veerashaiva Lingayat Mahasabha, said, "By sacking Yediyurappa, BJP has shown that it does not believe in democracy. The BJP government has failed to manage the Covid pandemic, floods and other crises. Now, the removal of Yediyurappa will only help Congress."

Satish Jarkiholi calls BSY's exit unceremonious

BELAGAVI: Congress reacted sharply to the exit of Yediyurappa calling it "unceremonious". "It is unfortunate that a mass leader like Yediyurappa had to quit under intense pressure from the BJP high command," said KPCC Working President Satish Jarkiholi. Similar to the injustice which Lord Basaveshwara suffered at the hands of Manuvadis in the 12th century, Yediyurappa has also met the same fate after 1,000 years, he said.

If one corrupt CM goes, another will replace him: Siddu

HUBBALLI : CLP leader Siddaramaiah said that if one corrupt CM goes, another corrupt person will replace him. Speaking to reporters in Hubballi, he said, "Hence, the BJP has to be driven out of Karnataka." Siddaramaiah said that though the leadership issue was BJP's internal matter, nothing good can be expected from this move.

BJP insiders: It could be Santhosh

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

AS speculation rages about who will be the next Karnataka Chief Minister, highly-placed sources said it is most likely B L Santhosh, and his name could be made official either on Tuesday or Wednesday. Reliable sources said his name has already been finalised. State in-charge General Secretary Arun Singh is expected to reach Bengaluru on Tuesday.

Santhosh (54) is a meritorious student and engineering graduate from the prestigious Regional Engineering College, Suratkal, and an RSS pracharak who served as BJP General Secretary in Karnataka. A full-time worker, he was elevated as National General Secretary (Org) about two years ago, and is based out of Delhi.

A bachelor, he is known to lead an extremely frugal lifestyle, and his belongings include a few pairs of clothes and an extensive bookshelf. Sources said he knows party workers in every assembly segment by name, having served in the organisation here. He is affectionately known as Santhoshji in party circles. Santhosh reached Bengaluru on Monday, said sources.

Sources said Santhosh and other senior BJP leaders have been in touch with JDS leader HD Revanna as a precautionary measure, in case of any rebellion in the ranks, which could upset the BJP applecart. JDS deputy leader in the assembly Bandeppa Kashempur is said to have been in Delhi for the past four days, and returned to Bengaluru on Monday. Sources said Yediyurappa, who was aware of these developments, strongly criticised the JDS, and recalled that the party had failed to transfer power to him in 2008, during the 20:20 government of the BJP and JDS.

THE PROBABLES

BJP keeps aspirants on the hook

With BS Yediyurappa's exit from the CM's chair, at least half a dozen aspirants are hoping to fill the big shoes he leaves behind. While community leaders have demanded that a Lingayat be chosen to replace Yediyurappa, the option of naming a non-Lingayat as CM to break the caste lobby is also before the BJP

Murugesh Nirani

PROS: A Panchamasali Lingayat and industrialist, Nirani has the backing of the community. His proximity to Amit Shah favours him.
CONS: Graft cases pending from his previous stint as minister. Absence of mass appeal like BS Yediyurappa.

Arvind Bellad

PROS: Fits the community, age, education criterion apart from having the support of RSS and BL Santhosh.
CONS: No experience as minister. Not a prominent face within the community.

Pralhad Joshi

PROS: Senior-most minister in Union cabinet from Karnataka with experience and image of a 'clean hand'. Backing of Sangh.
CONS: Brahmin identity threatens to upset caste equations. Only Lok Sabha MP from Karnataka to be in Modi Cabinet and hence difficult to replace in Delhi.

CT Ravi

PROS: Ideological hardliner. Fits the age, sangh and party loyalty criterion.
CONS: Vokkaliga, may upset Lingayat voters of the BJP.

BL Santhosh

PROS: Senior party functionary with a following in Karnataka unit.
CONS: Brahmin identity could upset non-Brahmin voters.

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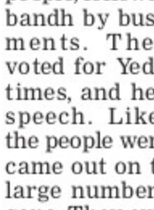

PROS: Experienced administrator and a Lingayat. Fits the age, education criterion.
CONS: Past ties with Janata Party, lack of mass appeal among community leaders.

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It is a case of leaving the boatman in the lurch after crossing the river. It is a lesson to those power hungry party-hoppers who joined hands with BSY

Cong leader and former DyCM G Parameshwara on Yediyurappa's exit

After truncated CM tenures, BSY went back to 'Yediyurappa'

BALA CHAUHAN@BENGALURU: Two years ago, former CM BS Yediyurappa, requesting then Governor Vajubhai Vala to give permission for the swearing-in ceremony as CM had signed with the original spelling of his name—'Yediyurappa.' In 2007, he had changed the spelling of his name to Yeddyurappa after the advice of his astrologers, to revert it to Yediyurappa before taking oath as CM on July 26, 2019. Sources said after his short-lived tenures in 2007 and 2018, he was advised to revert to his original spelling. He has the credit of being appointed as CM on four occasions. Unfortunately, he could not complete a full five-year tenure. Though he has made it clear that he does not want to move out of Karnataka and take up any ceremonial positions, former Congress chief minister Siddaramaiah had tweeted last year saying, "Having led a life as a successful people's representative, I wish you also be a successful Margdarshak for your party which is misled on issues."

A TALE OF TWO HOMES

Silence in Bookanakere, Shikaripura breaks out in protest

K SHIVA KUMAR @ Mysuru

WITH BS Yediyurappa resigning as chief minister, an uneasy silence gripped his native village of Bookanakere, in Mandya district. The streets and fields wore a deserted look as residents skipped their regular farming activities and were glued to television sets, tracking the day's developments in the political corridors of Bengaluru. Residents gathered at tea stalls and street corners to know the fate of the favourite son of the village.

Though Yediyurappa had hinted that he would step down, they never lost hope and had even offered puja to the presiding deities at Gogalamma and Eshwara temples.

Yediyurappa had vowed to make Bookanakere a model village. Bookanakere comes under KR Pet Assembly constituency and as CM, Yediyurappa had given a fillip to KR Pet by bringing in several prominent taluk offices, hostels and even launched piped drinking water. Playing the native card, he had helped the BJP win KR Pet bypoll in the Vokkaliga belt, and inducted MLA Narayana Gowda into the Cabinet.

Rame Gowda, a villager, said the BJP high command should have allowed Yediyurappa to complete his full term. "It pains to know that Yediyurappa, who had taken oath as Chief Minister four times, could not complete even one full term," said another villager. Yediyurappa's ancestral house in Bookanakere had no visitors on Monday,

Residents of Bookanakere watch Yediyurappa's speech after resignation on a mobile phone | UDAYASHANKAR S

and neither did his house in his constituency, Shikaripura.

In fact, the town in Shivamogga district wore a deserted look. Yediyurappa's resignation evoked a protest by the people, followed by a voluntary bandh by business establishments. The people have voted for Yediyurappa seven times, and he thanked in his speech. Like their leader, the people were emotional and came out on to the streets in large numbers, shouting slogans. They expressed anguish that he had been asked to step down over his age. Buses, too, stopped plying from Shikaripura.

Following complaints, Nandini Layout police have warned youths against eve-teasing and smoking in public. During the Masika Janasamparka Divasa at Nandini Layout police station, residents had complained to Police Commissioner Kamal Pant about the nuisance.

Medical student found murdered near rail line

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A 30-year-old postgraduate medical student was found murdered next to a railway track in Baiyappanahalli Railway police station limits, on Monday morning.

The deceased has been identified as Syed Umaid Ahmed, a resident of Sultanpalya. He was studying medicine at a private college in Hubballi.

Police said that passersby noticed a body lying next to the railway track at Kasturi Nagar-Vijinpura on Monday morning and alerted them. An initial probe revealed that miscreants had stabbed him in the neck and murdered him.

"The identity of the deceased person was established through an ID card that was found on him. His parents were informed about the incident. According to them, Ahmed had come to the city a week ago for Bakrid. On Saturday morning, he had left the house, saying he was going to Hubballi," the police said.

When his father contacted him over the phone on Sunday, Ahmed had reportedly told him he had reached Hubballi.

"One hour after the call, Ahmed's phone was switched off and it was not turned on till the night. His parents were worried as it was switched off even on Monday morning and were shocked to learn about his death, as he had told his father he had reached Hubballi. We have taken up a murder case and are probing from all angles," the police added.

HEAD GIVEAWAY

Man arrested for murder of senior citizen

Accused was in relationship with victim's daughter-in-law; dumped body on track

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THE case of a woman's severed head in a bag, found in a truck carrying granite to Bagalkot, was solved on Monday. The woman, Latha, was allegedly murdered by Balachandra, who was having an affair with her widowed daughter-in-law.

The man killed Latha, aged 65, and attempted to pass off the murder as a train accident by placing her body on the railway tracks. While the head was found in Bagalkot, the body was found between Nidevanda and Hirehalli in Tumukuru district. Investigations led to the arrest of Balachandra on Monday morning.

Superintendent of Railway Police, South Western Railway, Sira Gowri told the media, "The incident occurred on July 19, when the body was found. Through sustained investigations, we unravelled details of the case and have taken the person who murdered her into custody on Monday."

Giving details, she said that Latha, a senior citizen of Mandya, had gone to collect her old age pension. Her second son, Ramesh, had died and she used to have arguments with his widow to give her some money for maintenance. "On July 19, she was on her way to collect her pension, and stopped at her daughter-in-law's place in Tumakuru, and had a similar argument over maintenance. The woman was having an affair with Balachandra, a married man, who offered to take Latha to the office to collect the pension. He then invited her to his house. Latha again raised the issue of maintenance, and the duo had a heated argument and Balachandra hit her. She hit a wall and died," the SP explained.

To conceal the murder, he quickly dumped her body on railway tracks near Ramamurthy Nagar. He visited the spot some time later and found a train had crushed the body into bits, with the head thrown far from the torso. "He put the head into a bag and placed it in a truck carrying granite, on its way to Bagalkot. When unloading the material after reaching Bagalkot, the truck driver spotted the severed head and informed the police, who alerted Bengaluru police. We were already investigating the case and this helped us solve it," the SP added.

The elder son of the woman identified his mother.

HC upholds life term for acid attacker

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EXPRESSING serious concern over the rise in acid attack cases in the country, the Karnataka High Court upheld the life sentence awarded to Mahesha, a native of Konanatale village of Honnali taluk in Davanagere district, by the trial court for having attacked a woman with acid in 2014.

The court also permitted the victim, who is a teacher, to approach the District Legal Services Authority and seek adequate compensation. Considering the victim's young age and the huge amount of money spent on plastic surgery, the authority should arrive at an appropriate quantum of compensation and make suitable recommendations, the court added.

A division bench of Justice B Veerappa and Justice V Srishananda passed the order confirming the life sentence under Section 326A of IPC, while partly allowing the appeal filed by Mahesha against the trial court order.

On February 25, 2016, the trial court sentenced him to life imprisonment, along with a fine of Rs 10 lakh, with default clause for the offence punishable under Section 326A, while also awarding him another life sentence with fine of Rs 50,000 for the offence punishable under Section 307 of the IPC with default clause.

It be mentioned that Mahesha had proposed to marry the woman, but her family members were against it. Upset, he plotted the attack with an intention to disfigure her face or take her life. On January 31, 2014, he reportedly came on a motorcycle and splashed acid on her face, back, and hands, while some of it also fell on a minor boy nearby, who was also injured.

The court set aside the life sentence imposed for the offence punishable under Section 307 of IPC, saying that it implies imprisonment till the end of normal life of the convict and it cannot be directed to run consecutively. On deposit of fine amount, a sum of Rs 9.75 lakh shall be paid to the victim as compensation and remaining Rs 25,000 shall be vested with the State Government towards defraying expenses, the court added.

Mentioning the number of acid attack cases reported in the country each year, from 2014 to 2019 (309, 222, 167, 244, 228 and 240, respectively), the court observed that this case is an example of uncivilised crime committed by the accused.

Third wave: Rail Wheel Factory to set up O_2 cylinder bottling unit soon

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

AS a precautionary measure to counter a possible third wave of Covid-19 in the city, the Rail Wheel Factory (RWF) at Yelahanka will soon install an oxygen cylinder bottling plant that can supply medical-grade oxygen for 106 cylinders a day. The move, planned three months ago, has received a much-awaited compressor from Italy recently.

The total project cost is around Rs 75 lakh, including a compressor, pipelines, testing equipment and other items. The RWF supplies wheels and axles to Indian Railways.

RWF General Manager Rajiv Kumar Vyas told *TNIE*, "This

will cater to railway hospitals inside RWF and Bengaluru division, state government and private hospitals, based on emergency requirement."

RWF has a plant for manufacturing industrial-grade high purity oxygen for its internal use. It received several requests for medical oxygen during the second wave, the GM said. "However, the oxygen produced by RWF is in gaseous state and the outlet pressure is 12 kg per sqcm. Oxygen gas at 150 bar (a unit of pressure) is required for bottling the medical oxygen cylinders. The air separation process will now be used to compress the oxygen to a pressure of 150 bar, using a special oxygen compressor, which has arrived from Italy. It is now being installed along with associated manifolds and bottling equipment," he explained.

This type of compressor is of specialised design and there is a huge demand for such compressors all over the world, Vyas added. The plant will have the capacity to fill about six cylinders per hour.

Tightrope walk for BJP, says analyst

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"It will be interesting to see how BJP will now calibrate the roles of new chief minister and the outgoing one. It will be a tightrope walk for the party," Political analyst Prof Sandeep Shastri said.

Sources said that while Yediyurappa can help the party in the upcoming elections, the real challenge would be to ensure that there is no friction within the party. Also, Yediyurappa's decision to stay in the State should not lead to two power centres, one helmed by him and the other by the new chief minister, they added.

Forest personnel tries hard to rescue langurs stuck on tree in Haveri

ARUNKUMAR HURALIMATH
@ Haveri

THE Karnataka Forest Department and Fire and Emergency Services have taken up a unique flood rescue this season. They have tied a temporary ladder to a tree surrounded by floodwaters where a group of langurs has been stranded over the last three days.

But as the langurs, stranded at Handiganur village of Haveri taluk, have not used the ladder to come down, forest officials have placed sufficient food and fruits near the tree for the monkeys to survive till the water level recedes.

Following a heavy rain in the Western Ghats and Haveri district, many rivers have been overflowing for the last three to four days. The water level at Varada River that passes by Handiganur village too has gone up, submerging hundreds of acres of agricultural land.

Fire and forest staffers try to rescue langurs in Handiganur village | EXPRESS

In one piece of land, around 12-13 langurs have climbed the tree to escape the rising waters. A few villagers who noticed the black-faced monkeys informed the forest department on Sunday morning. Forest and fire department officials rushed to the spot with an inflatable boat. But as they could not rescue the monkeys, they prepared the ladder and tied it to the tree hoping that the langurs would use it to reach a safer place.

A few snakes, who too have taken shelter on the tree, are hampering the rescue operation. Now, forest officials have tied a few bunches of bananas to tree branches to help the monkeys feed themselves. "Till Monday evening, no langur had come down using the ladder. If they continue to remain there, we will supply a few more bananas and other fruits for their survival," a forest official said.

CRIME PATROL

MAN KILLS COUSIN OVER FINANCIAL DISPUTE

BENGALURU: A financial dispute between cousins ended in a murder in Kempegowda Nagar police station limits on Monday. The deceased has been identified as Vinod Kumar M (31). The police arrested his cousin Arun Kumar (34) soon after the murder. Police said Vinod was a bachelor and sold cow's milk for a living, while Arun is a mason. Arun had financial problems and had borrowed around Rs 6 lakh from his cousin. However, Arun had not returned the money, while Vinod was forcing him to. This had led to an altercation between the two. "Even on Monday, Vinod went to Arun's house and the two had fought over the issue, with Vinod threatening that he would file a police complaint. Enraged, Arun stabbed his cousin with a sharp-edged weapon causing fatal injuries. Vinod died on the spot, while Arun has been nabbed.

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Tel. No. 25095087, Mail id : cs8191@pnb.co.in.

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act(SARFAESI), 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property(ies) mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical/ symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank/ Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on the date as mentioned in the table herein below, for recovery of its dues due to the Bank/ Secured Creditor from the respective borrower (s) and guarantor (s). The reserve price and the earnest money deposit is mentioned in the table below against the respective properties. **STATUTORY : 30/15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER Rule 8(6) / Rule 9 (1) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002. This may also be treated as notice u/r 8(6) Rule 9(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 to the Borrower/s and Guarantor/s of the said loan about the holding of E-Auction Sale on the below mentioned date.**

SCHEDULE OF THE SECURED ASSETS

Sl. No.	1)Name of Borrower/ Name of the Account / Name of the Branch	Description of the immovable Properties Mortgaged/Owner's Name (mortgagers of property (ies))	A) Dt. of Demand Notice u/s 13(2) of SARFAESI ACT 2002 B) Outstanding Amount C) Possession Date u/s 13(4) of SARFAESI ACT 2002 D) Nature of Possession Symbolic/Physical /Constructive	E. Reserve Price F. Last date of deposit of EMD G. Bid Increase Amount H. EMD (Earnest Money Deposit	1. Date of Auction 2. Time of Auction	Details of the Encumbrances known to the Secured Creditors
1	1) M/s Landsend Trading Service Bangalore City (PNB)	All that piece and parcel of the Ten 1 BHK Flat belonging to **Mr Ajay Agrawal** having numbers B18, B19, C17, C18, E01, E02, E03, E04, E08, E09 proposed service apartments in Sy No.47/1 Doddathagor Village, **BONSAI Apartment,** Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore Urban District bounded on the **East By** Property of Raghavendra Naik, **West by :** Property belonging to Ramareddy and Bharathi, **North by :** Property belonging to Yella Reddy and **South :** Property belonging to Tamma Reddy and others All that part and parcel of the Nine 1 bhk flat proposed service apartment belonging to **Mr Ajay Agarwal** having flat No.D05, D06, D07, D10, D11, D12, D15, D16, D17 each having a super built up area of 465.48/478.12 sqft with total area of 4214.60 sqft in Sy no 47/1 Doddathogar Village, **BONSAI Apartment** Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and bounded on the **East By :** Property of Raghavenddra Naik, **West :** Properties of Ramareddy & Bharathi, **North By :** Property belonging to Yella Reddy and **South :** Property belonging To Tamma Reddy and others Flat No / Reserve Price: B-18 10; B-19 11; C-17 11; C-18 11; E-01 11; E-02 11; E-03 11; E-04 11; E-08 11; E-09 11; D-05 11; D-06 11; D-07 11; D-10 11; D-11 11; D-12 11; D-15 11; D-16 11; D-17 11; Total 208	A) 2.4.2019 B) Rs.235.44 lakhs plus interest and charges C) 06.07.2019 D) Symbolic	**E) Rs.1,58,00,000/- F) 10.8.2021 upto 4 pm G) Rs.25,000/- H) Rs.15,80,000/-**	**1) 12.08.2021 2) 11.00 am - 4:00 pm**	Nil
2	1) M/s Madan Enterprises Bangalore City (PNB)	1: Shop unit in Municipal no 181/41, 3rd Floor, property bearing municipal no. 181 (privately numbered as 307) corporation ward no. 29, (division no. 28) RK Complex, Arcot Sreenivasachar Street, Bangalore (super-built up area 176.5 sqft) bounded on **East :** Shop unit bearing municipal no. 181/40 (privately numbered as 306) **West :** Shop unit bearing Municipal no. 181/42 (privately numbered as 308), **North :** Common Wall and RK Ramachandra building, **South :** Common passage. 2: Shop unit in Municipal no. 181/42, 3rd Floor, property bearing Municipal no. 181 (privately numbered as 308) corporation ward no. 29 (division no. 28), RK Complex, Arcot Sreenivasachar Street, Bangalore, super built up area 189.74 sq.ft, bounded on the **East :** Shop unit bearing Municipal.16, No.181/41 (privately numbered as 307), **West :** Conservancy and Swiss House, **North :** Common Wall and RK Ramachandra Building, **South :** Common passage of the complex.	A) 16.07.2016 B) Rs 150 lakhs plus interest and charges C) 08.11.2016 D) Symbolic	**E) Rs.49,10,000/- F) 10.8.2021 upto 4 pm G) Rs.10,000/- H) Rs.4,91,000/-**	**1) 12.08.2021 2) 11.00 am - 4:00 pm**	Nil
3	1) H.R Raghu Bangalore City (PNB)	All that piece and parcel of the Four 1 BHK Flats in BONSAI Apartments in the name of Mr. H.R. Raghu having numbers A01, A02, A13, A14 in Sy no. 47/1, and 48 of Doddathogur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, bounded on the **East by :** Property of Raghavendra Naik, **West by :** properties of Ramareddy & Bharathi, **North by :** property belonging to Raghavendra Naik and **South :** Property belonging to Tamma Reddy & others"	A) 03.05.2019 B) Rs.103.21 lakhs plus interest and charges C) 06.07.2019 D) Symbolic	**E) Rs.29,50,000/- F) 10.8.2021 upto 4 pm G) Rs.10,000/- H) Rs.2,95,000/-**	**1) 12.08.2021 2) 11.00 am - 4:00 pm**	Nil
4	1) M/s Sai Marketing Prop : Neha Agrawal Bangalore City (PNB)	All that part and parcel of open land of 3000 sqft at site no 11 AU block, Shiv Priyanagar, Sy no 187/2 A, marsur VP khata no 1917 Madivala Village Kasaba Hobli Anekal Taluka Bangalore Bounded on : **East By :** Site no 12 in AU Block, **West By :** Road, **North By :** Site No 10 in AU Block, **South By :** Road.	A) 07.01.2019 B) Rs.51.58 lakhs plus interest and charges C) 16.04.2019 D) Symbolic	**E) Rs.37,50,000/- F) 10.8.2021 upto 4 pm G) Rs.10,000/- H) Rs.3,75,000/-**	**1) 12.08.2021 2) 11.00 am - 4:00 pm**	Nil
5	1) Taj Khan HAL (PNB)	All that part and parcel of residential building at site bearing No 30, old property no 135/2, HASB khatha no 1067/442/23, Khatha No 1767 situated at L B Shastry Nagar , Annasandrapalya Hamlet Of Vibhuthi Pura K R Puram Hobli Bangalore East Taluk, now comes under BBMP Limits and bounded on the **East by :** Property of Karumaiah, **West by :** Road, **North By :** Property of Sri Nagaraja and **South by :** Cross Road. Land measuring 1774.50 sq ft along with built up area of 3264 sq ft.	A) 13.02.2020 B) Rs.35.08 lakhs plus interest and charges C) 1.07.2020 D) Symbolic	**E) Rs.1,20,00,000/- F) 10.8.2021 upto 4 pm G) Rs.25,000/- H) Rs.12,00,000/-**	**1) 12.08.2021 2) 11.00 am - 4:00 pm**	Nil
6	1) Praveen Kumar Banashankari (PNB)	All that part and parcel of residential property bearing Flat no GF-01 ground floor **ARHANT MSR NEEPA** Site No 34 (Old no 217/213/21/1 BBMP Khata No 217/217/213/21/34, New PID No.187-W0157-6 & Site No.41(No 214/210/21/2), BBMP Khatha No.214/214/210/21/2/41, New PID No.187-W0157-5 Puttenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Ward No.187, Bangalore South and bounded on the **East By :** Road, **West By :** Plot no. 34 and 35, **North By :** Plot no 40 and **South By :** Plot No.33.	A) 16.11.2019 B) Rs.59.15 lakhs plus interest and charges C) 06.02.2020 D) Symbolic	**E) Rs.67,50,000/- F) 10.8.2021 upto 4 pm G) Rs.10,000/- H) Rs.6,75,000/-**	**1) 12.08.2021 2) 11.00 am - 4:00 pm**	Nil
7	1) P Sampangi Ramaswamy Electronic City (E-UBI)	Land and Building in the name of P. Sampangi Ramaswamy situated at No. 184, PID No. 57:255:184, Ward No.57, VPHL No. 184, 11th Cross Road, Sarakki Village, Uttarhalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore measuring 690 sq ft and bounded on the **East by :** Property of Munilakshmaia, **West by :** Property of Kuntappa, **North by :** Property of Arakerappa, **South by :** 10X30 feet passage and Property of Dommappa.	A) 10.01.2012 B) Rs 13.58 lakhs plus interest and charges C) 28.04.2012 D) Symbolic	**E) Rs.46,50,000/- F) 10.8.2021 upto 4 pm G) Rs.10,000/- H) Rs.4,65,000/-**	**1) 12.08.2021 2) 11.00 am - 4:00 pm**	Nil
8	1) Mr N Raju and Maria Soumya Electronic City (PNB)	Immovable property bearing housing list no 112/1 situated at Marehalli Palya, Uttarahalli hobli, bangalore south taluk, present Municipal No.16, 18th "D" Main, 2nd phase, J P Nagar, Bangalore-560078 measuring East to West 20 ft and North to South 40 ft in all measuring 74.38 sq mt and bounded on the **East by :** Property of Mr Mallaiah, **West by :** Panchayathi Road, **North by :** Private Property and **South by :** Property of Mr Muniraju.	A) 07.10.2015 B) Rs 30.56 lakhs plus interest and charges C) 24.12.2015 D) Symbolic	**E) Rs.32,00,000/- F) 10.8.2021 upto 4 pm G) Rs.10,000/- H) Rs.3,20,000/-**	**1) 12.08.2021 2) 11.00 am - 4:00 pm**	Nil
9	1) Murali Achar & Vasantha Lakshmi Bangalore Cantonment (e-UBI)	Residential Building at Site No.4/D, Sy No.46, New Khata Number 736, Ward No 20, Chokkasandra Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore-560057	A) 23.02.2011 B) Rs 42.52 lakhs plus interest and charges C) 28.06.2012 D) Symbolic	**E) Rs.82,04,000/- F) 10.8.2021 upto 4 pm G) Rs.10,000/- H) Rs.8,20,400/-**	**1) 12.08.2021 2) 11.00 am - 4:00 pm**	Nil
10	1) Krishna Murthy V R New Thippasandra (PNB)	All that part and parcel of property consisting Residential Flat no 102, Ground floor in apartment **Surya Kiran Enclave** measuring 990 sq ft of Super Built up area constructed in the property bearing Site no 145, Formed in Sy No 67,79 and 80, Bommanahalli Nagarasabhe Khata no 1525 and 1526, situated at Bilekahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore.	A)01.10.2019 B) Rs.21 lakhs plus interest and charges C) 06.12.2019 D) Symbolic	**E) Rs.30,00,000/- F) 10.8.2021 upto 4 pm G) Rs.10,000/- H) Rs.3,00,000/-**	**1) 12.08.2021 2) 11.00 am - 4:00 pm**	Nil
11	1) M/S. G.M. Handicrafts (P) Ltd Bangalore City (PNB)	1. Property bearing Site no. 86, Khatha no. 2/86, Sy. No. 75/1, PID No. 150200302403820320 of area 122.387 sq.m. 2. Property bearing Site no. 88, Khatha no. 2/88, Sy. No. 75/1 & 76/23, PID No. 150200302403820735 of area 111.294 sq.m. 3. Property bearing Site no. 89, Khatha no. 2/89, Sy. No. 75/1 & 76/23, PID No. 150200302403820737 of area 103.858 sq.m 4. Property bearing Site no. 73, Khatha no. 2/73, Sy. No. 75/1, PID No. 150200302403820306 of area 116.169 sq.m. 5. Property bearing Site no. 76, Khatha no. 2/76, Sy. No. 75/1, PID No. 150200302403820308 of area 115.346 sq.m. 6. Property bearing Site no. 69, Khatha no.2/69, Sy. No. 75/1 & 76/23, PID No. 150200302403820728 of area 114.11 sq.m 7. Property bearing Site no. 70, Khatha no. 2/70, Sy. No. 75/1 & 76/23, PID No. 150200302403820729 of area 116.032 sq.m. 8. Property bearing Site no. 78, Khatha no. 2/78, Sy. No. 75/1, PID No. 150200302403820310 of area 108.628 sq.m. 9. Property bearing Site no. 80, Khatha no. 2/80, Sy. No. 75/1, PID No. 150200302403820327 of area 101.134 sq.m. 10. Property bearing Site no. 82, Khatha no. 2/82, Sy. No. 75/1, & 76/23 PID No. 150200302403820730 of area 138.128 sq.m 11. Property bearing Site no. 84, Khatha no. 2/84, Sy. No. 75/1, & 76/23 PID No. 150200302403820731 of area 129.184 sq.m 12. Property bearing Site no.85, Khatha no. 2/85, Sy. No. 75/1, PID No. 150200302403820318 of area 129.184 sq.m.	A) 12.07.2018 B) Rs.425 lakhs plus interest and charges C) 16.11.2018 D) Symbolic	**E) Rs.1,37,00,000/- F) 10.8.2021 upto 4 pm G) Rs.25,000/- H) Rs.13,70,000/-**	**1) 12.08.2021 2) 11.00 am - 4:00 pm**	Nil

TERMS AND CONDITIONS :

1. The sale shall be subject to the Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions. (1) The auction sale will be "online through e-auction" portal **http://www.mstcecommerce.com**

2. The intending Bidders/ Purchasers are requested to register on portal (https:www.mstcauction.com) using their mobile number and email-id. Further, they are requested to upload requisite KYC documents. Once the KYC documents are verified by e-auction service provider (may take 2 working days), the intending Bidders/ Purchasers has to transfer the EMD amount using online mode in his Global EMD Wallet by above mentioned dates the e-Auction Date and time in the portal. The registration, verification of KYC documents and transfer of EMD in wallet must be completed well in advance, before auction.

3. Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) amount as mentioned above shall be paid online through 3 mode i.e. NEFT/ Cash/ Transfer (After generation of Challan from (https:www.mstcecommerce.com) in bidders Global EMD Wallet. NEFT transfer can be done from any Scheduled Commercial Bank, however for Cash/ Transfer the bidder has to visit Punjab National Bank Branch. Payment of EMD by any other mode such as Cheques will not be accepted. Bidders, not depositing the required EMD online, will not be allowed to participate in the e-auction. The Earnest Money Deposited shall not bear any interest.

4. Platform **(https:www.mstcecommerce.com)** for e-Auction will be provided by e Auction service provider M/S MSTC Limited having its Registered office at 225-C, A.J.C. Bose Road, Kolkata700020 (contact Phone & Toll free Numbers 079-41072412/ 411/ 413 or 1800-103-5342). The intending Bidders/ Purchasers are required to participate in the e-Auction process at e-Auction Service Provider"s website **https:www.mstcecommerce.com**. This Service Provider will also provide online demonstration/ training on e-Auction on the portal.

5. The Sale Notice containing the General Terms and Conditions of Sale is available / published in the following websites/ web page portal. **(1) https://www.ibapi.in (2) https://eprocure.gov.in/epublish/app (3) http://www.mstcecommerce.com/. (4) www.pnbindia.in,**

6. The intending participants of e-auction may download free of cost, copies of the Sale Notice, Terms & Conditions of e-auction,Help Manual on operational part of e-Auction related to this eAuction from **e-बक्रय - IBAPI portal (https://www.ibapi.in).**

7. The intending Bidders / Purchasers are requested to register on portal (https:www.mstcauction.com) using their mobile number and email-id. Further, they will upload the requisite KYC documents. Once the KYC documents are verified by e-auction service provider (may take 2 working days),the intending Bidders/Purchasers has to transfer the EMD amount using online mode in his Global EMD Wallet. Only after having sufficient EMD in his Wallet, the interest bidder will be able to bid on the date of e-auction.

8. Bidder"s Global Wallet should have sufficient balance (>=EMD amount) at the time of bidding.

9. During the e-auction bidders will be allowed to offer higher bid in inter-se bidding over and above the last bid quoted and the minimum increase in the bid amount must be of Rs.10,000/- to the last higher bid of the bidders.

10. It is the responsibility of intending Bidder(s) to properly read the Sale Notice, Terms & conditions of e-auction, Help Manual on operational part of e-Auction and follow them strictly.

(1) In case of any difficulty or need of assistance before or during e-Auction process may contact authorized representative of our e-Auction Service Provider (https: http://www.mstcecommerce.com/). Details of which are available on the e-Auction portal.

11. After finalization of e-Auction by the Authorized Officer, only successful bidder will be informed by our above referred service provider through SMS/ email. (On mobile no/ email address given by them/ registered with the service provider).

12. The secured asset will not be sold below the reserve price.

13. The successful bidder shall have to deposit 25% (twenty five percent) of the bid amount, less EMD amount deposited, on the same day or not later than the next working day and the remaining amount shall be paid within 15 days from the date of auction in the form of Banker's Cheque/ Demand Draft issued by a Scheduled Commercial Bank drawn in favour of "The Authorized Officer, Punjab National Bank, A/c (Name of the A/C) Payable at In case of failure to deposit the amounts as above within the stipulated time, the amount deposited by successful bidder will be forfeited to the Bank and Authorized Officer shall have the liberty to conduct a fresh auction/ sale of the property & the defaulting bidder shall not have any claim over the forfeited amount and the property.

14. Payment of sale consideration by the successful bidder to the bank will be subject to TDS under Section 194- 1A of Income Tax Act 1961 and TDS is to be made by the successful bidder only at the time of deposit of remaining 75 % of the bid amount/full deposit of BID amount.

15. The Authorised Officer reserves the right to accept any or reject all bids, if not found acceptable or to postpone/cancel/adjourn/discontinue or vary the terms of the auction at any time without assigning any reason whatsoever and his decision in this regard shall be final.

16. The sale certificate shall be issued in the favour of successful bidder on deposit of full bid amount as per the provisions of the act.

17. The properties are being sold on „AS IS WHERE IS BASIS and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS".

18. The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule hereinabove have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorised Officer, but the Authorised Officer shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation.

19. It shall be the responsibility of the bidders to inspect and satisfy themselves about the asset and specification before submitting the bid. The bidder inspect the property in consultation with the dealing official as per the details provide.

20. All statutory dues/attendant charges/other dues including registration charges, stamp duty, taxes etc. shall have to be borne by the purchaser.

21. The Authorized Officer or the Bank shall not be responsible for any charge, lien, encumbrances, or any other dues to the Government or anyone else in respect of properties (E-Auctioned) not known to the bank. The Intending Bidder is advised to make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances on the property including statutory liabilities, arrears of property tax, electricity dues etc.

22. The bidder should ensure proper internet connectivity, power back-up etc. The Bank shall not be liable for any disruption due to internet failure, power failure or technical reasons or reasons/contingencies affecting the e-auctions.

23. It is open to the Bank to appoint a representative and make self bid and participate in the auction. For detailed term and conditions of the sale, please refer https://www.ibapi.in, https://eprocure.gov.in/epublish/app, http://www.mstcecommerce.com/, www.pnbindia.in,

Place : Bangalore
Date : 26.7.2021

Sd/- (V S SUNDARA RAMAN - 83109 47264)
AUTHORISED OFFICER & CHIEF MANAGER
PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK (SECURED CREDITOR)

STATE BANK OF INDIA

B M ROAD CHANNAPATNA BRANCH
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POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property) [Rule 8(1)]

A/NC o: 64078697254/ 64145655117/64145655173/64080841001/64215450676/DRS
Possession Notice Date: 26.07.2021

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised officer of the **State Bank of India, B M Road, Channapatana Branch, Channapatana** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **29.01.2021**, calling upon the borrower **Sri. Ramesh Gowda S/o Late Linge Gowda, #Valegeredoddi, Hamlet, Mankunda Post Devarahalli, Channapatana Taluk 562160. 2) #RAMESH PRINTERS, Jyothi Nagendra Complex, BM Road, Channapatana 562160. 3) No.2176, 1st Cross, Manjunathnagara, Channapatana 562160** to repay the amount as mentioned in the notice being **Rs.29,28,332/- (Rupees Twenty Nine Lakh Twenty Eight Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Two Only)** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub Section 4 of Section 13 of Act, read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **26.07.2021.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general, is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with the property will be subject to the charge of the **State Bank of India,** for an amount **Rs.30,54,834/- as on 25.07.2021 and interest from 26.07.2021** & charges thereon, till the date of realization of the dues. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub Section (8) of the Section 13 of the Act, in respect of, time available to redeem the secured Assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Katha No.195/173/2, situated at Valageredoddi Village, Hamlet of Devarahalli, Channapatana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist and measuring EW-42 feet & NS-53 feet standing in the name of Sri. Ramesh Gowda and bounded on : **East by :** Narayana Property, **West by :** Parvathamma House, **North by :** Sreekantaiah Property, **South by :** Road.

Date : 26.07.2021
Place : Channapatana

Sd/- Authorised Officer, STATE BANK OF INDIA
B M Road, Channapatana Branch

UCO BANK

(A Govt of India undertaking)
Ramamurthy Nagar Branch : Site No.42, Munikalappa Layout, Banaswadi Main Road, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bangalore - 560016.
Phone : 080 - 25650090, 25658918, e-mail : ramamu@ucobank.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE (For immovable property) [Rule 8(1)]

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of UCO BANK, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated **12.04.2021** calling upon the borrower **Mr. Kirthy Nidhi Azad (Main Applicant), S/o U G Thipperudrappa and Mrs. Nayan S (Co-applicant), W/o Mr. Kirthi Nidhi Azad,** No 2/1, 8th Cross, Kempaiah Layout, Cholonayakanahalli, Hebbal, Bangalore - 560032 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **A/c No - 16290610022450 - Rs.43,99,403/- (Rupees Forty Three Lakhs Ninety Nine Thousand Four Hundred Three Only)** as on **31.03.2021** with further interest with effect from **01.01.2020** and incidental expenses, Costs, etc., within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower, guarantor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described here in below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rules 9 of the said rules on **22.7.2021**.

The borrower and guarantor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with the property will be subject to the charge of UCO BANK For an amount of . **A/c No-16290610022450 - Rs.43,99,403/- (Rupees Forty Three Lakhs Ninety Nine Thousand Four Hundred Three Only)** as on **31.03.2021** with further interest with effect from **01.01.2020** and incidental expenses, Costs, etc

The borrower"s attention is invited to provisions of sub section(8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY.

All that piece and parcel of immovable property standing in the name of **Mr. Kirthy Nidhia Azad S/o U G Thipperudrappa**, Flat bearing No-A 305, Khata No.1117/148/3 & E Khata No.150300401000120701, "A" wing in Third floor, measuring 1165 Sq.ft supper build up area containing Two Bed rooms together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring, One common Toilet and One attached toilet, one hall, one kitchen, together with one covered car parking space, 590.95 sq ft undivided interest in the immovable property bearing converted Sy no.148/3 of Kannurahalli Village, and including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, stair case, contained in the multistoried building known as **NISARGA CAPITAL APARTMENTS** constructed in converted Sy No.148/3 of Kannurahalli Village, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and Bounded on the : **East by :** 2 Mtr Wide Corridors, **West by :** Sy No.149 and Sy. No.150, **North by :** Remaining land in Sy No.148/3 and **South by :** Flat bearing No-A-304.

Date : 22.7.2021
Place : Bangalore

Authorised Officer
UCO BANK

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A Govt. of India Undertaking)
Tumkur Road Branch
No. 14, Industrial Suburb,
Bangalore - 560022
E-mail: cb0882@canarabank.com

POSSESSION NOTICE

Appendix IV under Act-Rule - 8 (1)
(For immovable Property)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Canara Bank, Tumkur Road Branch, Bangalore** Under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **18.05.2021** calling upon the Borrower / Guarantor / Mortgagor **1) M/s. Om Timbers,** No. 12/1 and 12/2, Nelagadaranahalli, Nagasandra Post, Bangalore – 560073 **2) Sri. Prafulchandra R Patel** S/o. Sri. Late Ratansi R Patel **3) Mr. Bharat R Patel** S/o. Sri. Late Ratansi R Patel **4) Mr. Manish P Patel** S/o. Sri. Late Praveen R Patel all are residing at No. 331, "Gurukrupa Nivas", 2nd Main, HMT Layout, Nelagadaranahalli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560073 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.2,99,60,791.57/-** (Rupees Two Crores Ninety Nine Lakhs Sixty Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety One and Fifty Seven Paisa Only) as on **17.05.2021** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **22nd day of July of the year 2021.**

The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Canara Bank** for an amount of **Rs.2,99,60,791.57/-** (Rupees Two Crores Ninety Nine Lakhs Sixty Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety One and Fifty Seven Paisa Only) as on **17.05.2021** and interest, legal and other charges thereon from **18.05.2021.**

The Borrower attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property

1)All that part and parcel MODTD of Timber Yard measuring 30 Guntas (this property consists of a front office Building with Ground and First Floor and Saw Mill and Shed) situated at Sy. No. 78/2, Khatha No. 198, Basavanahalli Village, Vishveshwarapatana, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore – 562123, standing in the name of Sri. Prafulchandra R Patel (one of the Partner's of the firm) Extent of Site: 32,600 Sq. Ft, Building : 1259.82 Sq. Ft, Saw Mill Shed : 4,800 Sq. Ft and bounded on On the East by: Sy. No. 78 Purchased by Ravi Patel, On the West by: Sy. No. 79, On the North by: Road, On the South by: Sy. No. 78 Purchased by Gangabyraiah,

2)All that part and parcel MODTD of Timber Yard measuring 19 Guntas (Saw Mill Seasoning Plant) situated at Sy. No. 78/1, Khatha No. 44, Basavanahalli Village, Vishveshwarapatana, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore – 562123, standing in the name of Sri. Prafulchandra R Patel (one of the Partner's of the firm) Exten of Site: 20,691 Sq. Ft Building: 353.49 Sq. Ft and bounded on On the East by: Sy. No. 78 and Remaining Portion of Sy. No. 78/1 On the West by: Sy. No. 79, On the North by: Sy. No. 78, Vilal Patel and Prafullal Patel Land, On the South by: Chanraiah's Land,

3)All that part and parcel MODTD of Residential Building with Stilt, Ground, First, Second and Third Floors situated at No. 331 "Gurukrupa Nivas", 2nd Main, HMT Layout, Nelagadranahalli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore – 560073, standing in the names of Sri. Bharat R Patel and Prafulchandra R Patel (both Partners of the firm) Exten of Site: 2021 Sq. Ft, Building: 5,700 Sq. Ft and bounded on On the East by: Private Property, On the West by: Site No. 330, On the North by: Road, On the South by: Private Property.

Date : 22.07.2021
Place : Bangalore

Sd/-Authorized Officer
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The Kollam Principal Sessions Court denied bail to Kirankumar, the accused in the Vismaya dowry death case, on Monday. The prosecution cited incidents of physical and mental torture, including prohibition of contact to her relatives as prima facie evidence

EPS, OPS DISCUSS MEKEDATU ISSUE WITH PM MODI

Speak about vaccine shortage, Cauvery Linking Project; skip question on Sasikala

AIADMK coordinator O Panneerselvam and joint coordinator Edappadi K Palaniswami meet Prime Minister Narendra Modi in New Delhi | EXPRESS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Chennai

AIADMK coordinator O Panneerselvam and joint coordinator Edappadi K Palaniswami called on Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday at the latter's chamber in the Parliament complex and raised key issues relating to Tamil Nadu, including shortage of vaccines, Mekedatu dam, and Godavari-Cauvery Linking Project, among others.

There was speculation that the two leaders might also discuss issues related to the 'audio politics' of VK Sasikala, one-time confidante of former Chief Minister J Jayalalithaa, and her decision to re-enter politics. Panneerselvam and Palaniswami however, remained tight-lipped on the matter while speaking to reporters later.

Asked if they have plans to meet Union Home Minister Amit Shah and others, Palaniswami said there weren't any until then. "If we get a chance, we will meet." "We thanked the Prime Minister for campaigning in support of the AIADMK-led alliance in the Assembly elections and raised some issues relating to Tamil Nadu," the two leaders said.

"If the proposed dam is built at Mekedatu, delta districts in Tamil Nadu would become a desert. Besides, 16 districts that depend on the Cauvery river as their drinking water resource, would be affected by the dam. So, we have urged the Prime Minister that the Central government should not, in any way, help Karnataka in building the dam. Since Tamil Nadu has been a water-deficit State, the Godavari-Cauvery Linking Project, too, should be implemented expeditiously," Palaniswami said.

The former Chief Minister said that they have also asked the Centre to send more Covid vaccine doses to Tamil Nadu, after reports emerged that sufficient supply has not been provided to the State.

No respite from flood as Maha releases water

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Belagavi

EVEN as the rainfall across all flood-prone areas in the district has subsided, the flood threat still looms large due to the release of water into Krishna from dams in neighbouring Maharashtra for the last two days.

At least 22 flood-prone villages on the border have turned into islands with the rise in water level at Krishna river. Owing to drastic flow of water from the dams of Maharashtra, a large extent of sugarcane fields are totally inundated. Meanwhile Rudragouda Patil (55) from Savadi village, Athani taluk was washed away in swelling Krishna river when he was busy with his family in moving the household items out of his flooded house.

The family of Patil was badly affected by the floods in the village and had decided to to move to a safer area when the tragedy struck.

Residents of Kankanwadi move to safer places in Jamkhandi on Monday | EXPRESS

Sources said, "the teams of NDRF and police have launched an operation to search for his body. However, until late Monday, the teams were still busy searching his body in the river around Savadi village."

Besides getting all the people from 22 flooded villages shifted to safer areas or relief centres, the local administration was trying to coordinate with officials of Maharashtra to keep a tab on the release of water from the dams into Krishna.

Several relief centres have been set up closer to all the affected villages in Athani taluk and necessary facilities being provided to the people inside.

According to the sources, sugarcane grown in about 15,000 acres has been under water in the flooded areas and that more agricultural lands would be affected if the release of water continued.

SITUATION GRIM IN VIILLAGES NEAR KRISHNA

Bagalkot: The situation still remains grim in the villages located alongside Krishna river as 10 more villages were hit by floods in the district on Monday. With 10 more villages affected by floods in Jamkhandi taluk, the tally of flood affected villages in the district touched 31, with Jamkhandi being the worst-affected taluk as 19 villages in the region have been flooded. With the help of State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) the district administration carried out the rescue operation in at least three villages of Jamkhandi. A team of SDRF has been kept on stand by as the water level continues to surge in Krishna river leading to threat of floods at few more villages. Speaking to *TNIE*, Prashanth C, Tahsildhar of Jamkhandi, pointed that, "There is no sign of water levels receding in Krishna. Inflow of 3.92 lakh cusec has been recorded at Hipparagi barrage. This increasing trend has put few villages in danger. The water levels are expected to rise for another 24 hours before coming down. The people are being moved to safer places and accommodated in relief centers." Meanwhile, the people dwelling alongside Ghataprabha River heaved a sigh of relief as the water level in the same river is dipping gradually. The inflow to Ghataprabha has come down by nearly 30,000 cusec in the last 24 hours. On Sunday morning the inflow was around one lakh cusecs and which came down to 70,000 cusecs on Monday evening. According to the district administration, "A total of 31 villages have been hit by floods. In order to provide shelter and food to affected people as many as 31 relief centers have been opened accommodating 2,933 people." **ENS**

JUMBO RIDE

A huge crowd gathers at Goddess Ujjaini Mahankali temple to witness Ambari seva (elephant ride) as part of Bonalu celebrations in Telangana on Monday | VINAY MADAPU

EYE ON POLLS

SCs to have quotas for licensed shops: KCR

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Hyderabad

APPARENTLY with an intent to win the Huzurabad byelection hands down, Chief Minister K Chandrasekhar Rao on Monday decided to provide reservations to SCs for granting licences for their self employment.

SCs would get a quota as per their population while issuing licences for fertiliser shops, medical shops, rice mills, wine shops and others under the Dalit Bandhu scheme, the Chief Minister said during a day-long interactive session on the Dalit Bandhu scheme with select villagers from Huzurabad, at Pragathi Bhavan on Monday. The pilot project will begin soon at the Huzurabad Assembly segment.

> **The Chief Minister said that a Dalit Protection Fund would set up as part of which the funds would be given to the District Collectors**
>
> K Chandrasekhar Rao, Chief Minister

Over 500 villagers from Huzurabad, where the bypoll is due, attended the orientation session conducted by the Chief Minister, where they were served a sumptuous lunch. All of them travelled from Huzurabad to Hyderabad in buses arranged by the government. Speaking at the session, the Chief Minister said that the government would provide reservations to SCs in all other possible sectors. Besides, financial assistance would be provided to SCs to purchase auto rickshaws, tractors, harvesters, to set up poultry farms, oil mills, flour mills, etc. The State government has already decided to deposit ₹10 lakh directly into the bank accounts of SCs and would not hesitate to spend even ₹1 lakh crore for the scheme, which would be implemented in phases.

The Chief Minister said that a Dalit Protection Fund would set up as part of which the funds would be given to the District Collectors. The fund would serve to aid economic growth of the SCs.

The Chief Minister said that beneficiaries under Dalit Bandhu would get an electronic chip-enabled ID card with a bar code. Through the card, the government would monitor the beneficiaries as to whether they were utilising the money given to them properly.

HERITAGE SITE

UNESCO tag spurs ASI to beef up security at Ramappa temple

U MAHESH @Mulugu

RAMAPPA temple, a poem in architecture, will now get round-the-clock security after its elevation to world heritage site status.

The Archeological Survey of India (ASI), in the past, had written to the State government to provide police protection to the Kakatiya Rudreshwara temple at Palampet village in Venkatapur mandal of Mulugu district.

As there has been no response from the State government, the ASI has decided to make its own arrangements to preserve the rare form of architecture chiselled by the sculptor Ramappa about 800 years ago, during the reign of the Kakatiyas. The ASI is contemplating to hire security staff to protect the priceless monument.

Speaking to Express, a senior ASI official said that they had already deployed six trained security guards at the temple. He said earlier, the department had written letters to the State government seeking police protection to all archeological sites. When the ASI sought security for the Ramappa temple, the State government allocated home guards with the proviso that the ASI had to pick up their wage bills. Later, the ASI outsourced armed private security guards.

Now, after UNESCO has declared the temple as a world heritage site, the ASI is preparing proposals to beef up security by deploying more armed guards and by setting up increased surveillance of the area with CCTV cameras, said a senior ASI official.

Yediyurappa's parting gift to govt staff: 21.5% hike in DA

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

ON the day he announced his resignation, outgoing Chief Minister **BS Yediyurappa** seems to have given a parting gift to more than 6 lakh state government employees.

The State Government has decided to increase Dearness Allowance (DA) for its employees and pensioners by 21.5 per cent, with effect from July 1 this year. The order was personally issued by Yediyurappa.

The Association stated that after their memorandum, the Chief Minister directed the Finance department to issue an order and approve the increase in Dearness Allowance, that had been held up since the beginning of this year due to the Covid pandemic. The Association had appealed to him to release the Dearness Allowance hike in three instalments.

Association president CS Shadakshari said the new order will help 6 lakh employees and 4.5 lakh pensioners, along with 3 lakh staffers working with various boards and corporations.

Former MLA's son held for sexually abusing his kids, cops look for aide

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Hyderabad

IN a shameful act, a 44-year-old software professional, son of a former MLA of erstwhile Warangal district, allegedly sexually abused his 14-year-old daughter and 11-year-old son. Worse still, the accused allowed his friend to sexually assault his own daughter in his presence, on several occasions prior to 2018, which came to light only now. The police arrested the father on Monday and are now looking for his friend.

The lurid details of the case came out when the children narrated the nightmare they had been through during a counselling session for them, after they began experiencing some mental disorientation.

According to the police, the accused and his wife, who used to live in the US, came to India a couple of years prior to 2018 and were living in Jubilee Hills when the children were abused. After 2018, the couple separated and the children were living their mother. Only recently, when the children were given psychological counselling, they opened up and revealed how they had been abused.

S Rajashekar Reddy, Inspector, Jubilee Hills, said a lookout circular was being issued to prevent the father's friend from leaving the country. Based on the children's account, their mother lodged a complaint with the Jubilee Hills police, who registered separate cases against the children's father and his friend. Investigation of the case is in process.

61-year-old sentenced to 8 yrs for rape of minor

Kochi: The Ernakulam Additional District and Sessions Court on Monday sentenced a 61-year-old man, who had assaulted a 12-year-old girl sexually, to eight years of rigorous imprisonment and imposed a fine of Rs 20,000. Earlier, the court had found Benny Yohannan, 58, of Kadavoor, Pothanikkad, guilty in the case under Sections 7 (sexual assault) and 11 (sexual harassment). **ENS**

EXPRESS READ

Bigger families to get better sop: Church

Kottayam: A financial assistance of `1,500 per month for families with five or more children, scholarships for engineering studies and free medical aid for pregnancy-related needs from the fourth child. These are the offers made by the Syro-Malabar Eparchy of Pala to the laity to encourage bigger families when the entire world has been struggling to control population growth. The reason: concerns about the community's dwindling numbers. With calls for early marriages, larger families and avoiding contraceptive measures failing to yield much results, the Syro-Malabar Church has now launched a campaign on social media to promote families with more children by community members as part of 'Year of the Family' celebrations called by Pope Francis. **ENS**

DMK government makes 10.5% Vanniyar quota official

T MURUGANANDHAM @ Chennai

THE DMK government on Monday issued a G.O. for implementation of the 10.5 per cent reservation for the Vanniyar community with retrospective effect from February 26, the date on which the State Assembly passed the Bill in this regard. The government has revised the 200-point roster, prescribed in Schedule V to the Tamil Nadu Government Servants (Conditions of Service) Act, 2016, for enforcing the reservation.

With the issuance of this order, the special reservation of seats in educational institutions, including private educational institutions in the State, and of appointments or posts in the services under the State to the Vanniyar community, within the 20 per cent reservation for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities, has been ensured. The G.O. assumes significance as it comes ahead of the elections to the local bodies in the nine newly-created districts that are to be held by September 15, and also the elections to urban local bodies expected to happen by December. The roster prescribed in the G.O. should be given effect from February 26 and it should be made applicable in respect of those vacancies notified by the recruiting agencies and appointing authorities on or after the said date. Necessary amendments to the Act would be issued separately.

HERO IN KHAKHI

TN COP CLINGS ON TO SPEEDING CAR TO NAB SMUGGLER

MS THANARAJ @Tiruchy

IN a scene straight out of an action thriller, a police constable put his duty over life by clinging to the bonnet of a speeding car for several minutes in order to nab a ganja smuggler.

The Tiruchy police department has been taking efforts to bring down the ganja racket in the district. Based on information regarding an accused smuggling ganja in a car, a team of police personnel were conducting vehicle checks at the Mannarpuram roundabout on Sunday night.

As the accused, identified as Mohammad Hanifa (42) from Keeranur village in Pudukkottai, arrived there, the team attempted to catch him. However, Hanifa zoomed off towards the Chennai National Highway. This was when Saravanan (38), a head constable with the special team, swung into action.

THE HEAD-ON COLLISION

The accused attempted to flee after seeing the cops, which is when Saravanan blocked him. The head-on ramming and the subsequent chase left Saravanan with a 30 per cent burn injury on his right ankle

Saravanan

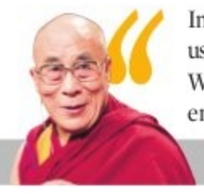
He blocked the car with his bike but Hanifa rammed the motorcycle and kept driving. Undeterred, Saravanan clung to the bonnet as the other personnel chased down the car.

After driving for about eight kilometres, with Saravanan on the bonnet, the accused was finally caught near Sanjeevi Nagar. More than a kilo of ganja was seized from Hanifa's possession.

Speaking to *Express*, Saravanan said, "On seeing the police, the accused attempted to flee but as the traffic was too much, he had to brake suddenly. I leaped at the opportunity to block him. With a firm grip on the front metal guard, I kept yelling to him to stop the car but he kept driving faster." He is currently under treatment for the 30 per cent burn injuries caused to his ankle during the incident.

Sakthivel, Deputy Commissioner (Law and Order) Tiruchy, said, "The accused was reportedly under the influence of ganja, and while intending to flee, he intentionally rammed the cop. But the head constable took a strong hold on to the bonnet to avoid serious injuries. After few minutes of chasing, the accused was caught. Luckily no one sustained any serious injuries in the operation. The head constable's brave efforts are appreciable. Further probe is on."

EDITORIAL



In seeking to find the source of happiness within us, we need a map of our mind and emotions. We need to understand how to manage our emotions ... That is the way to find peace within

Dalai Lama

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— Ramnath Goenka

POLITICAL THRILLER IN K'TAKA THAT PLAYED OUT IN SERIALISED FORM

The OTT platforms, the likes of Netflix and Amazon Prime, seem to provide the format of politics now. Already it's not the news ticker of the past or even TV channels that give us the 'breaking news'. Social media is the place. B S Yediyurappa's tearful goodbye as chief minister, on the day his government completed two years, played out live on Twitter. The 78-year-old's philosophical invocation of Basavanna, his thank-you note to the BJP high command for 'allowing' him to rule Karnataka for two years—all of that. The actual political saga could well be thought of as a political thriller playing out in serialised form, much like one of those popular OTT shows. Season 1 is over with BSY's trip to Raj Bhawan with his formal resignation, in the making for the past few months, if not a year. Season 2 is awaited. The suspense about who will succeed BSY is still on.

Like good serials, there are rivals, but this is not about the Congress or JD(S) pulling him down prematurely, before the Assembly's term ends. This is entirely wrought by some internal shifting of sands within his own party. The BJP has deemed it fit that there be a new, presumably younger, chief minister—leading on to 2023 (when Karnataka goes to polls) and 2024. BSY, despite being the BJP's only mass leader south of the Vindhyas, is no doubt of some vintage. And politics, unlike old wine, needs to regenerate. Thus the four-time chief minister will yet again have to vacate the chair without completing his term. Whether BSY will walk into the sunset or rise to script another story, only time can tell. Or his health will determine. The fact that it was BSY who broke away the Congress and JD(S) MLAs to form the incumbent Karnataka government cannot be ignored. Meanwhile, whoever succeeds him as the next chief minister must hit the road running. There's a possible Covid third wave, and the usual floods.

PROMINENCE OF THE ATHLETE ACTIVISTS

When Great Britain's footballers took the knee during a group stage match at the ongoing Tokyo Olympics, it marked a seminal moment in the history of the Summer Games. Athletes who have taken part in the Games, at least in the 21st century, have, by and large, abided by the International Olympic Committee's laws on neutrality. The IOC does not want the Olympics to become a platform for athletes to express what they truly feel. It doesn't want a repeat of that 1968 Black Salute and sporting events overshadowed by activism. Even if the Olympic Committee made certain relaxations to allow athletes to protest at these Games, they didn't want the Great Britain women's team to take a knee just before the start of play.

That could be the theme of this Olympics. Athletes are now more vocal than ever in their fight for equality and they are expected to take it with them to Japan over the next two weeks. Though there haven't been many expressions of 'activism' on the podium, one can argue that Naomi Osaka lighting the cauldron was the highlight. The Japanese tennis player has become the voice of activist athletes over the last 14 months or so.

The tennis star has spoken up about racial injustice as well as police brutality and even shone a light on the kind of prejudice she has faced in Japan, where she was born. Being a person of mixed race in the country is different—they are pejoratively referred to as *hafu* (half)—but things are changing. They are one of the least diverse countries in the world but successful mixed-race athletes like Osaka, who has four Majors to her name, are changing the conversation. Another mixed-race athlete who was given a prominent role was National Basketball Association (NBA) star Rui Hachimura, Japan's flagbearer. And don't be surprised if diverse loud messages on social injustice and gender equality are flagged before the Closing Ceremony of the Games on August 8.

There is yet speculation that the lessons of Kargil have not manifested sufficiently to prevent India being strategically surprised. Eastern Ladakh 2020 is often quoted

KARGIL 99: RECALLING THE CHALLENGE

LT GEN SYED ATA HASNAIN (RETD)

Former Commander, Srinagar-based 15 Corps. Now Chancellor, Central University of Kashmir

AMIT BANDRE

Yesterday was Kargil Vijay Diwas. It marked the day when the intrusions into the Kargil sector of Ladakh by the Pakistan Army in May-July 1999 were finally defeated and all Pakistani presence on our side of the LoC was eliminated with the restoration of status quo ante. In the course of that achievement, 527 good Indian warriors were killed in action and over 1,100 were wounded, no mean price. Operation Vijay commenced with issues with respect to the synchronisation of operations by the Indian Army with the Air Force (the latter even named their action differently, Operation Safed Sagar), displaying poor jointmanship by all; it's a problem that has not left us in 22 years. The experience of Operation Vijay also shattered whatever little trust existed between India and Pakistan. It is not that we trusted the Pakistanis with all that was happening in J&K. Yet, Pakistan's political leadership welcomed former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee to Lahore just a few months before the intrusions were discovered. A two-track relationship with Pakistan had existed for long. On the one hand, we fought at many parts of the LoC and suffered Pakistan's proxy war but at the same time, unwritten agreements remained rooted to some form of trust in other areas; Kargil was one of those. For Pakistan, it is an area at a limb where it would always be stretched to fight. Classically it is served by 'exterior lines' on the Pakistan side while on the Indian side it is maintained by 'interior lines'. Pakistan should always have been happy to keep the area quiet lest India commenced threatening the Gilgit-Baltistan segment from that flank, forcing an out-of-proportion deployment by Pakistan. It would be at the cost of other strategically important areas. But then it was none other than Musharraf in the seat of the Pakistan Army Chief. He was ambitious, ruthless and a tad roguish. We did not cater for that while continuing to keep Kargil defended with the traditional old style of extended defence.

Musharraf risked it without thinking through the operation. Keeping the political leadership and the other Services in the dark, the Pakistan deep state planned an operation where the initiation probably created a romantic vision of the Pakistan flag fluttering at Srinagar. However, the conflict termination part remained non-existent. Musharraf's basic aim was to evict the Indian Army from Siachen by severing the Srinagar-Leh road communications in the Kargil sector, making logistics and resupply impossible. What Musharraf never calculated was the patriotic fervour and regimental passion with which the Indian Army warriors would throw themselves against his Northern Light Infantry troops at the dizzy heights where the attacker's superiority ratios demanded 9:1 deployment. The Indian Army did it with much less, but units pressed into offensive operations continued the attritional attacks over many days, defying all norms that are applied in such operations.

Most analyses these days dwell on the Kargil Review Committee (KRC) recommendations and ascertain what is yet left to be implemented. That too is a must but should not take away the sheen from the positive narratives of the resilience shown by the nation as it came back from a disastrous situation to overcome the odds. There are many aspects that the younger generation and those beginning to take an interest in the nation's strategic affairs need to know so that they continuously investigate and learn more about one of the most turbulent challenges India has ever faced. The KRC report is an important reference for that investigation.

In 1999, Pakistan was concerned about flagging militancy in Kashmir and the possibility of the international community losing interest in it. The nuclear tests of 1998 had brought Pakistan to nuclear parity with India, thus emboldening it to risk a conflagration. Considering the Pakistan Army's diluting power within that country's polity and its ever-present desire to be the ruler, Musharraf could not allow Vajpayee's India-Pakistan peace process to seriously take off. That is when the tradition was set. It is also why we had a Pathankot immediately after a surprise visit by PM Modi to Lahore in December 2015. If Musharraf achieved any part of the aim of his operation, it was in the Kashmir Valley. Militancy and terror revived and a new phase of suicide attacks commenced in July 1999. North Kashmir, suddenly denuded of the 8th Mountain Division, awaited the arrival of fresh troops and the raising of Kilo Force (Kupwara). Infiltration from PoK through Lipa, Neelam and Tangdhar intensified. The area got so heavily infested with terrorists that for the next few years, we were battling and neutralising them in droves. In 2001, 2,100 terrorists were killed, the highest in any year of the 30-year proxy war.

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Why was the Indian strategy so attritional that we pushed attacks frontally or from just the flanks, reinforced initial failure and did not sufficiently use air power? The rear of the adversary was hardly used to place blocks, prevent reinforcements or cut off resupply. Usually, a combination of approaches proves successful. The political authority had imposed a term of reference that the LoC would not be crossed under any circumstances. This restricted maneuverability for ground troops and the Air Force, which then had to make runs only parallel to the LoC. The political leadership's predicament was perhaps never fully appreciated. A year after the overt nuclearisation of both nations, the risk of a major conflagration was not something palatable. In fact, this aspect of Indian restraint was very avidly used in the diplomatic domain by the Indian government to place Pakistan on the defensive, leading to Nawaz Sharif rushing to Washington to plead for ceasefire.

There is yet speculation that the lessons of Kargil have not manifested sufficiently to prevent India being strategically surprised. The example of Eastern Ladakh 2020 is being often quoted. There are many ways suggested by experts to overcome the issue of strategic surprise at the borders. In my opinion there are two important aspects that need implementation. First, a National Security Strategy document needs to be drafted and fully discussed in Parliament, chapter by chapter, to raise the concern for military security. Second, when the political community is well-versed with military strategic affairs, the involvement of all stakeholders will rise. Bi-annual war games and model exercises for selected members of the political community is one way. The National Defence College at Delhi is tailor-made to do it and recommendations for this already exist.

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A COUNTRY OF MANY GODS: VISITOR'S BOOK

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Imagine a visitor's book: old, a compilation of palm leaf manuscripts, soiled by the sand from Egypt and Arabia, slightly dampened by the Mediterranean winds, perfumed by the spices; that will be the visitor's book of Kerala. The visitors to Kerala came from far-off regions of the known world. The geographical discoveries of the enlightenment days of Europe did get initiated to find suitable and unhindered channels to reach Kerala. When Christopher Columbus returned to Spain laden with gold and claiming that he found the route to the East, his claim was refuted purely on the basis that he did not have black gold or pepper. "The discovery of America and that of a passage to the East Indies by the Cape of Good Hope are the two greatest and most important events recorded in the history of mankind," says Adam Smith. The Portuguese, initiated by Prince Henry the Navigator, sent various expeditions to the East just to break the Arab-Venetian nexus in the spice trade, the most successful being the travel of Vasco Da Gama.

The spice trade kept Kerala in the annals of history of the civilisations of the world like China, Egypt and Rome. They were aware of the distant land where you got luxury goods like ivory, cotton textiles and spices. Though we don't get any reference to Kerala in the Vedas, we do have ancient Indian texts that provide ample references to the region, the *Aitareya Aranyaka* being the first that mentions the land of Kerala—Cherapada in this text is likely a reference to Kerala. Epics like the *Ramayana* and *Mahabharata* give clear instructions to the geographical location of Kerala. In the former, Sugriva maps the regions of South India to his army placing Kerala near the Pandyan and Chola countries (present Tamil Nadu). In the *Mahabharata*, it was Sahadeva's responsibility to conquer Kerala as part of the *Asvamedha* campaign.

Megasthenes, Greek ambassador to Chandragupta Maurya, refers to the Pandyan kingdom of the south and the neighbouring population of Chermoe, probably a garbled version of the word Chera, in his book *Indica*. Kautilya mentions the pearls of the River Churni, the ancient name of the River Periyar, one of Kerala's major rivers. The second rock-cut edict of Asoka at Girnar cites Keralaputras as bordering the Mauryan Empire in the south. Kalidasa, in his own unique style, mentions the southern military campaign of Raghu (great grandfather of Sri Rama) where he refers to the pepper plants and the rising smell of cardamom as Raghu's horses trampled through the forests of Kerala. Kalidasa also did not fail to refer to the jewellery-cladded Kerala women who removed them in fear of Raghu's army.

One can be sure that during the period of Kalidasa, which is mostly accepted as 5th century CE, Kerala women must have been wearing the jewellery made from the shiploads of gold that came from Rome in exchange for pepper and other spices exported. No wonder the Roman writer Pliny the Elder (1st century CE) complained about the draining of gold to Kerala through the spice trade. He estimated that India took 55,000,000 sesterces ($800,000) annually due to spending on spices, ivory and woven wind-like exposing clothes. Among these, the wind-like exposing clothes were exported from Barigaza (Bharuch, Gujarat) and the rest from Muziris (near Kodungallur in Thrissur district). According to the Roman geographer Strabo, the early Empire sent a fleet of around 120 ships on an annual one-year trip to India and back. William Logan, who wrote the Malabar Manual (the first official Western-style history of Kerala), does bring in another reference from Rome where Alaric I (circa 370-410 CE), the Visigoth conqueror, asked for a huge ransom of pepper to free Rome from his siege.

> Kerala had connections with Egypt and Arabia from ancient times as we find black peppercorns stuffed in the nostrils of Ramses II (1213 BCE). The Roman writer Pliny the Elder (1st century CE) complained about the draining of gold to Kerala through the spice trade

Kerala had connections with Egypt and Arabia from ancient times as we find black peppercorns stuffed in the nostrils of Ramses II, placed there as part of the mummification rituals in 1213 BCE. It may be noted here that black pepper was the monopoly of Kerala till the 17th century when the Portuguese started the pepper plantations in South-east Asia. Pre-Quran references to black pepper and teak from India in Arab poetry indicate trade connections to Kerala. William Logan traces the trade connection between Kerala and the West thus, "Perhaps as early as the time of Moses, the great Jewish law-giver, this commerce existed, for cinnamon and cassia played a part in the temple services of the Jews (*Exodus* xxx. 23,24) and at any rate the commerce existed in the time of King Solomon (c. 1000 BCE), for the *Bible* narrative records ... 'For the King had fleet of Tarshish at sea with the fleet of Hiram; once every three years the fleet of Tarshish, bringing gold and silver, ivory and apes and peacocks." (I *Kings* x. 22)'. With the exception perhaps of silver, these are all productions of the Malabar coast."

West-bound trade was dominated by the Mappilas (Kerala Muslims) along with the Muslim traders of Hormuz, Saudi Arabia and Egypt. The sea route from Kerala in the pre-*Carreira da India* (Cape route) was laborious and expensive as it had to pass through ports and toll points at Hormuz, Jeddah, Cairo, Alexandria and Venice, as the local informant Gasper Da Gama would explain to Vasco Da Gama. The intention of the Portuguese endeavour was precisely against this Moor-Egyptian and Venetian network. Adrian Fortescue provides us with further information about these aims: "King Alfred sent Singhelm, the Bishop of Shireburn, with gifts. Singhelm came to Rome and then went on to the Malabar Coast. He made his offerings here and brought back from his long journey jewels and spices; strange to see an English Bishop in India in 883!".

Apart from this English Bishop, there were many Europeans travellers who visited the land of pepper through the ages such as Marco Polo, John of Montecorvino (both in the 13th century), Friar Jordanus (14th century), Nicolo Conti (15th century) and Pero de Covilham, who was sent by Portuguese king D Joao II in 1487 to investigate the conditions in the Indian Ocean. He visited Cannanore (Kannur) and Calicut (Kozhikode). So was Vasco Da Gama the first European who set foot in India? Definitely not. Or is he the Great Explorer who found the sea route to India, as taught in history books? Well, it is a matter of dispute, which we will discuss in the next section of this series on the pre-modern visual culture of Kerala.

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Proud moment for T'gana

The iconic 13th century Ramappa Temple located near Warangal in Telangana, an engineering marvel built by Kakatiya rulers, getting the heritage tag from UNESCO is a proud moment for India as well as for the state. As the efforts of the Telangana government urging the Centre and the ASI about the temple bore fruit, the state tourism department should initiate steps to improve the amenities in and around the area as the world heritage monument is expected to draw more tourists now.

KR Srinivasan, Secunderabad

BSY finally steps down

Karnataka CM B S Yediyurappa has finally stepped down from office, ending all speculation over his continuation. He was allowed to swear in as chief minister even though he was over 75 years of age back then. An exception was made for him considering his contribution in bringing the BJP to power by toppling the previous Kumaraswamy-led government in the state. The BJP top leadership has made the right decision by asking him to step down now.

NA Joseph, Ettumanoor

Not ideal leader candidate

This is with reference to *Mamata readies for top role on the national stage* (Jul 26). If West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee's positioning of herself as the prime ministerial candidate gets backing from other opposition parties including the Congress, it would only hasten the fall of the GOP. Mamata's mercurial ego coupled with her self-righteous indignation doesn't make her an ideal candidate to lead a coalition. It would make for an unstable government.

A Raveendranath, Aranmula

Many hurdles in Didi's path

The editorial offers a fine analysis of Mamata's prospects, or lack of it, on the national stage. Flush with success in the Assembly polls, that too a hat-trick, Didi is best positioned to play a lead role at the national level right now. But she will be up against Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who still enjoys the goodwill of people in major parts of the country. She will also have to contend with Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, who will likely be the grand old party's prime ministerial candidate.

Hemanth Bhide, Mangalore

Children at lower risk

This is with reference to *Making sense of the fourth national sero-survey* (Jul 26). The article has given timely insights into the recent sero-survey, which can be utilised by the government for the development of effective strategies to counter a possible third wave. An important cheerful find is that children are at lower risk than was feared. Let us pray that herd immunity to withstand any new variant also develops in India with the help of proper health and vaccination policies.

SK Prakash, Chennai

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Abhishek Banerjee @abhishekaitc
Rattled by our victory in #Bengal @BJP4Tripura have kept 23 IPAC employees under house arrest. Democracy in this nation dies a thousand deaths

Dharmendra Pradhan @dpradhanbjp
Under the NEP, GOI has proposed to set up National Research Foundation with an outlay of Rs. 50,000 crore over a period of 5 years to build an Aatma Nirbhar Bharat.

Naveen Patnaik @Naveen_Odisha
Tribute to the brave hearts who fought the Kargil War. On Kargil Vijay Diwas, we join the nation to offer homage to the martyrs for their sacrifice.

Parliament pandemonium amid relentless opposition

Sessions in both houses adjourned, pair of bills passed amid chaos

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

SESSIONS in both Houses of the Parliament were adjourned on Monday. There was an uproar, with the Opposition demanding discussion on the Pegasus snooping controversy in the presence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah. They also demanded a Supreme Court-monitored probe. The government said it tried to reach out to the Opposition to end the logjam in the Houses.

Lok Sabha passed two bills — Factoring Regulation (Amendment) Bill, 2020, and National Institutes of Food Technology, Entrepreneurship and Management Bill, 2021 — without any discussion amidst the pandemonium. The Rajya Sabha took up the Marine Aids to Navigation Bill, 2021, but the House saw repeated adjournments.

Leader of Opposition in Rajya Sabha, Mallikarjun Kharge held a meeting of floor leaders of the Opposition parties and it was agreed that they will seek discussion on Pegasus. He moved a notice under Rule 267 to adjourn other business and have a discussion on the snooping, spying and surveillance scandal, saying that this has undermined democratic and Constitutional rights. His notice for a judicial probe, was, however, rejected by the Chair.

Rajya Sabha chairman M Venkaiah Naidu said members were prevented from raising issues of public importance. "We are becoming helpless day by day," he said before adjourning the proceedings till 12 noon.

Soon after the house paid tributes to Kargil martyrs and congratulated Mirabai Chanu for winning a silver medal in the Olympics, slogan-shouting Opposition members trooped into the well of the House. Amid the din, Naidu said he has not allowed notices under Rule 267 from Opposition leaders including Kharge and KC Venugopal (both Congress), Tiruchi Siva (DMK), TMC's Sukhendu Sekhar Ray, Elamaram Kareen (CPI) and others as the issues they want to raise are being discussed in the normal course of time.

Piyush Goyal, Leader of the House in Rajya Sabha, said the government has reached out to the Opposition, but there was no consensus among these parties. Parliament Affairs Minister Pralhad Joshi also claimed that he had reached out to the Leader of Opposition.

In Lok Sabha, the two bills were passed without discussions as Opposition members raised slogans and held placards on the Pegasus snooping row and the farmers' issue. Congress MPs protested in the well of the house and Rahul Gandhi on the aisle with senior leaders Shashi Tharoor and Manish Tewari. They raised slogans on Pegasus and demanded Home Minister Shah's resignation. Subsequently, they were joined by MPs of other Opposition parties. When the Lok Sabha was paying tribute to Kargil martyrs, Congress leader Tewari asked why Prime Minister Modi was not seen in the house.

The government wants to give a reply. If you want a reply, please go back to your seats ... people chose you to raise their issues. You are raising slogans ... this hurts the dignity of the House —Om Birla, LS Speaker

This struggle will continue under the leadership of Rahul Gandhi and we will not allow the Modi govt to hand over the rights of 62 crore farmers to three-four industrialists —Randeep Surjewala, Congress

Rahul Gandhi and other Congress leaders ride a tractor to Parliament on Monday; West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee arrives in New Delhi | EXPRESS/WB CMO

Muslims bag major share of minority scholarships

SANA SHAKIL @ New Delhi

OF the total scholarships sanctioned for minority communities from 2018 to 2021, Muslims have received 76 per cent, followed by Christians at 12.04 per cent, according to data submitted by the Ministry of Minority Affairs in Parliament.

The break-up of scholarships sanctioned during the last three years showed Sikhs got 7.88 per cent, Buddhists 2.70 per cent, Jains 1,23 per cent and Parsis 0.014 per cent, respectively.

According to the 2011 Census, Muslims constitute 73.66 per cent of the total minority population, followed by Christians at 11.9 per cent. While Sikhs constitute 8.91 per cent, Buddhists form 3.61 per cent. Parsis constitute 0.02 per cent of India's minority population.

The Ministry of Minority Affairs implements pre-matric, post-matric, merit-cum-means based scholarship schemes and the Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship Scheme for the educational empowerment of students belonging to six notified minority communities — Buddhist, Christian, Jain, Muslim, Parsi and Sikh in all states/UTs across the country.

During the last seven years, more than 4.52 crore beneficiaries have been provided scholarships through the National Scholarship Portal (NSP) and Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT), according to the ministry. Of the total beneficiaries, 53 per cent are female, it said.

With the launch of the NSP in 2015-16 and its revamped version in 2016-17, the three scholarship schemes for minorities are being implemented through DBT mode. The NSP has features which help eliminate middlemen, and ghost beneficiaries. During 2016-17 to 2020-21, a total of 9,35,977 fake and ineligible applicants were identified and removed from NSP, according to the ministry.

On assessing the number of minorities living below the poverty line, there was no separate assessment available, said the ministry in reply to a query.

Modi consults senior colleagues to break deadlock

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE government on Monday went in a huddle, with the Opposition hardening stance over their demand for a discussion on the Pegasus snooping issue. Prime Minister Narendra Modi held consultations with senior colleagues to find a way to break the Parliament logjam.

Deputy leader in the Lok Sabha Rajnath Singh, leader of Rajya Sabha Piyush Goyal, Union Minister for Home Affairs Amit Shah and the Union Minister for Parliamentary Affairs Prahlad Joshi attended the meeting with the Prime Minister. The Prime Minister is learnt to have asked the ministers to initiate outreach with the Opposition parties, besides consultations with the presiding officers of the two Houses, to find ways to restore normalcy in Parliament proceedings.

Some of the senior ministers later called on the Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla, while Goyal invited Opposition leaders to tea in the evening.

While the government remains firm not to yield to the conditions reportedly set by the Opposition parties for taking up discussions on the Pegasus snooping issue, in the presence of the Prime Minister and the Minister for Home Affairs and a reply by either of them, the NDA is seeking to impress upon the Opposition leaders to stick to conventions.

The government, on the other hand, also appears determined to push the legislative business in the two Houses of Parliament even if the chaos continues and Opposition parties don't show flexibility in their stand, said a senior BJP functionary.

The government appears ready to allow the Opposition parties to hold short discussions on three issues of their choice, namely the Pegasus snooping controversy, protests by the farmers and price rise, besides also agreeing for three calling attention in a tradeoff for the official business carried out in the House.

CYBER CONTENT GOVERNED BY IT ACT: MINISTRY

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

CONTENT on internet, including that on social media, is governed by the Information Technology Act, 2000, the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting told in response to a Parliament question on Monday.

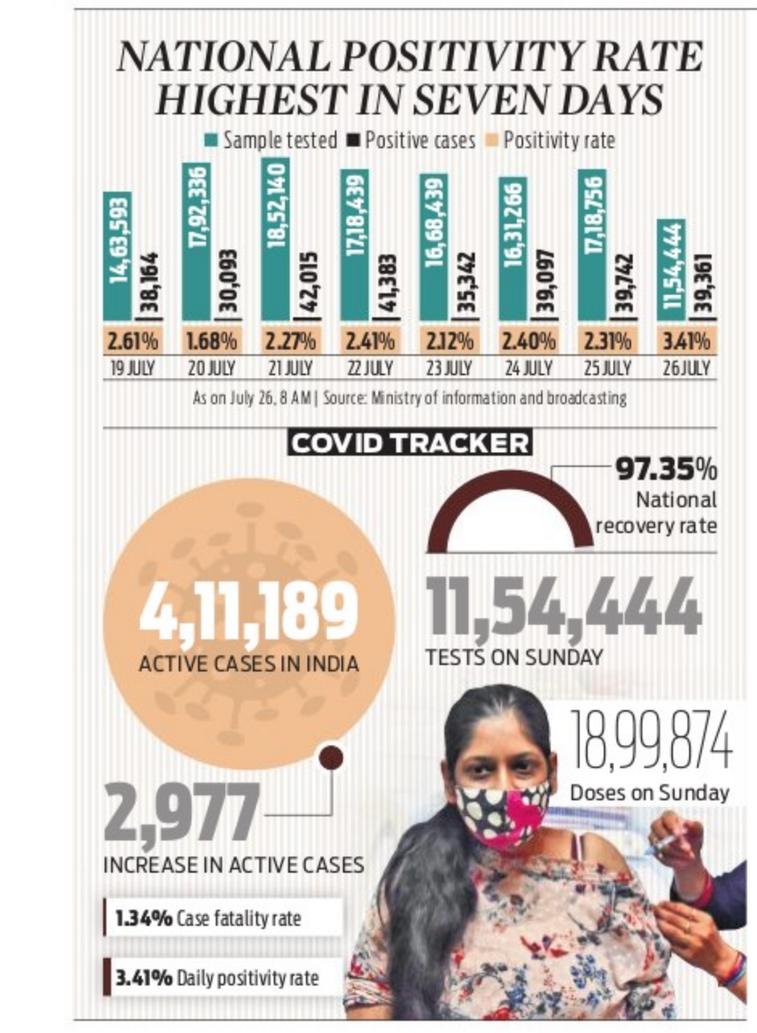
This was in response to a question on if the government has constituted several committees in the past to suggest a framework to keep a watch on social media. The government has notified Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Codes) Rules, 2021 under IT Act on February 25.

The Rules say that intermediaries, including social media intermediaries, will follow certain due diligence laid down. They are also required to publish privacy policy and terms of use of their platform and remove content that is in violation of any law currently in force when brought to their knowledge either through a court order or through a notice by appropriate government or its agency, it said.

The Rules also provide that digital news publishers and publishers of online curated content (OTT platforms) follow the Code of Ethics laid down thereunder and not publish or transmit content prohibited by law.

A fact-check unit has been set up under the Press Information Bureau of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting in November, 2019, the ministry told in response to another question. This unit takes cognisance of fake news both suo motu and by way of queries sent by citizens on its portal or through e-mail and WhatsApp. This unit also responds to 'relevant queries' with correct information when the same pertains to the Centre or forwards them to states/UTs in other cases. The unit also has a Twitter account and posts cases of 'fake news' being busted.

The Rules provide for due diligence by intermediaries, including social media intermediaries, and for a Code of Ethics for adherence.



Spurt in child marriage in MP during lockdown

ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

LOCKDOWNS in successive years have led to a spurt in child marriage cases in Madhya Pradesh. In 2019-20, 196 underage marriages were stopped, according to data shared by the Madhya Pradesh State Commission for Protection of Child Rights. This has risen to 710 in 2020-21. It's a jump of 262%.

However, despite efforts by the Women and Child Development department, seven marriages could not be stopped. Cases were registered in these illegal weddings. Also, cases were registered in 17 instances, where child marriages had already taken place. Courts have so far nullified 13 of these.

According to State Commission for Protection of Child Rights member Brajesh Chouhan, these statistics show that efforts of the WCD department to stop child/underage marriages are bearing fruit. But he adds that it is alarming that these incidents have increased so much in 2020-21, particularly during the lockdowns.

"Though the WCD department is doing its best, more public awareness is needed, particularly among tribal and other communities, who have a tradition of child marriages. We will write to the WCD department son," said Chouhan.

Statistics shared by prominent NGO, Child Rights and You (CRY), too points towards a similar trend in MP as well as UP. Data from project areas in eight districts in these states show that there has been a major jump compared to 2019. According to CRY, 87 cases were reported in four MP districts in 2020, which was 58.18% higher than the 55 reported in 2019.

"Amid the pandemic, a considerable rise in child marriages has been reported. Predominant reasons are movement restrictions causing inability in reaching out to communities, thus, weakening the surveillance mechanism, lesser financial burden on families in organising marriages due to limited number of guests. Most importantly, no access to school led to increasing vulnerability of girls towards child marriage," said CRY's regional director Soha Moitra.

WORRYING FIGURES

262% Jump in child marriages stopped in 2020-21

196 Cases in 2019-20

710 Cases in 2020-21

391 Cases in April-May, 2021

Gennova likely to become second vax maker to receive advance from Centre

SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @ New Delhi

PUNE-BASED vaccine maker Gennova could become the second company in India to receive advance payment from the Union government for manufacturing and stockpiling its Covid-19 vaccine, based on mRNA platform, that has shown encouraging results in Phase 1 trials.

Importantly, the manufacturer which is set to apply to the apex drug regulator to begin Phase 2 and 3 trials, is also tailoring the vaccine specifically against the delta variant of the Covid virus, which caused the devastating second wave in India.

The Centre last month had made an advance payment of ₹1,500 crore to Hyderabad-based vaccine maker Biological E for procuring its Covid vaccine, still under Phase 3 clinical trials, marking the first such deal. By doing this, the government secured 30 crore doses, likely to be available by December end.

Insiders in the government said that results of the mRNA vaccine by Gennova look very promising and the health ministry is actively considering funding for at-risk production. This was not done for the production of either Covaxin or Covishield, though the government had helped majorly in Covaxin's pre-clinical and clinical studies as it was the country's first indigenous vaccine, co-developed by Bharat Biotech and the ICMR.

The vaccine by Gennova has been developed with cooperation from the US-based HDT Biotech Corporation and has many benefits. One of these is it uses the self-amplifying RNA that allows more doses to be produced per batch, while the other advantage is the option to redesign the vaccine to emerging variants, a feature possible easily with mRNA platforms. In addition, it can be stored at 2-8 degrees Celcius, which makes storage and distribution easy.

Over the last few months, the company has received funding of about ₹125 crore from the department of biotechnology of the Union government for preclinical and clinical development, while the project has been closely monitored by its subject expert committee.

The government, looking to fully vaccinate all adults over the next few months, is hoping to procure at least 6 crore doses by year-end, provided it proves its protective efficacy in late stage trials. The first stage of clinical trials of the vaccine saw it being tested on about 120 individuals in the age group of 18-70 years.

Kerala & TN score low on treatment of Covid waste

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

IN the last one year, 56,898 tonnes of Covid-19 waste has been generated across the country. Kerala and Tamil Nadu have the biggest gap in biomedical waste generation and treatment facility available, despite being in the list of top five states that generated maximum Covid waste in the country.

The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) has reported there are 202 operational Common Biomedical Waste Treatment Facilities (CBWTF) in the country for treatment and disposal of Biomedical Waste (BMW). "The CPCB has developed an app, COVID19 BWM, to track the generation and disposal of Covid-19 bio-medical waste (BMW). States/UTs have reported about 56898.14 tonnes of COVID-19 BMW generation on the app between June, 2020 and June, 2021," the Rajya Sabha was informed in response to a question.

To treat additional Covid BMW during the pandemic, Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra had utilised hazardous waste incinerators for disposal of yellow colour coded (incinerable) Covid waste in line with CPCB Guidelines. Other states that reported a shortfall in waste incineration facilities compared to waste generation include Maharashtra, Delhi, Punjab, Odisha and Bihar. BMW generation per day was 757.6 tonnes per day against the treatment of 822 tonnes per day.

The Centre said that Covid BMW has to be segregated as per Schedule I of Biomedical Waste Management Rules, 2016 (BMW Rules, 2016). Thereafter, the collected BMW is required to be handed over to CBWTF operators for final treatment and disposal. The CPCB has issued guidelines for 'Handling, Treatment and Disposal of Waste Generated during Treatment/Diagnosis/ Quarantine of COVID-19 Patients'.

Centre seeks vaccination status of teachers before reopening schools

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

AS several states ponder opening schools at secondary and senior secondary levels in the wake of the waning Covid pandemic, the Union education ministry has asked states for vaccination status of teachers. Newly-appointed Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan, while interacting with officials from several states, said that states should soon share this data with the Centre, said sources in the government. They added that the decision on when and how to reopen schools has been left completely to the states.

Centrally, there is no data available on Covid-19 vaccination status of teachers in about 15 lakh schools across India, even though inoculation was opened for all adults on May 1. Bihar, Madhya Pradesh and Odisha have decided to open schools at the secondary and senior secondary levels on a rotation basis.

I-PAC TEAM HELD IN AGARTALA

A team of Prashant Kishor's Indian Political Action Committee which has been camping in a hotel in Agartala to assess the political situation and potential support base for Trinamool Congress is being questioned by the local police

2 ARRESTED FOR DUPING AMAZON OF LAKHS OF RUPEES

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	30	25	Mumbai	29	26
Bhopal	25	23	Panaji	31	26
Jaipur	27	25	Patna	35	27
Amritsar	32	28	Lucknow	35	28
Chennai	36	28	Port Blair	35	28
Kolkata	32	28	Imphal	30	22
Srinagar	30	22	Chandigarh	30	26

Maha toll at 164, search ends in worst-hit village

Raigad authorities call off rescue work, to declare 31 missing as dead

SUDHIR SURYAWAMSHI @ Mumbai

THE death toll in rain-related incidents in Maharashtra rose to 164 on Monday after the recovery of 11 more bodies in Raigad and two each in Wardha and Akola.

Meanwhile, those who escaped the landslide in Taliye village that killed 84 people said they do not want to return to their village.

The Raigad District Magistrate has issued a notice saying the rescue operation at village officially ended on Monday. "The rescue operations have ended officially. We have withdrawn our teams from Taliye. The 31 missing will be declared dead following the due process...relatives of the missing people demanded closure of the operations since yesterday," read the notice.

Maharashtra government has promised to rehabilitate those affected by flood and landslides as well as compensation to the kin of those who lost their lives.

Sampati Prakash Chandrakar, the Sarpanch of Taliye village, said he will meet the residents of the village and decide the next course of action. "We want houses for our people. Many people who lost their houses in the landslide are either staying in schools or close relatives in villages. While some of them are staying at the empty houses for time being. The government promises rehabilitation. It should happen as early as possible," Chandrakar said.

Meanwhile, many are demanding that they be resettled elsewhere.

"We had never imagined that we would lose our near and dear one in such a way. We would not like to stay at the same place where our loved ones died. It is also a dangerous location. We appeal to the government to rehabilitate us at safer locations," said one of the villagers.

The villagers had lost all their possession that many are now struggling to find food. "Our relatives are offering us meals two times a day. But for how long can we eat at their house?" a villagers said.

An NDRF personnel rescues an elderly woman from an area inundated with flood waters in the Kolhapur district of Maharashtra | PTI

MLAs offered ₹1 cr to topple JMM govt

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

THREE people who were arrested in connection with the alleged plot to topple the Jharkhand Mukti Morcha-led government in Jharkhand said a huge amount of money was offered to all MLAs as well as the post of deputy chief minister and ministerial berths to defect.

Three persons—Abhishek Kumar Dubey, Amit Singh and Niwaran Prasad—were arrested, allegedly for hatching a conspiracy to destabilise the JMM-led alliance government in the state. They have been booked under sections 419, 420, 124-A, 120 B and 34 of the IPC.

Meanwhile, the JMM tweeted that the MLAs were offered ₹25-30 crore.

"All of them were promised the post of Deputy CM or ministerial berth..All kinds of tricks were used to topple an elected government. Many more characters and layers of this story are yet to be revealed," claimed JMM through its official Twitter handle.

The three arrested persons told the police that a deal was fixed with 11 MLAs who were promised ₹1 crore as advance. They also admitted that former Maharashtra minister and BJP State General Secretry Chandrashekher Rao Bavankule, Maharashtra BJP leader Charan Singh and businessman Jaikumar Belkhede alias Balkund were also involved in the plot.

"Since advance money of ₹1 crore was not given to the three MLAs, they got annoyed and returned to Ranchi on the very next evening," said one of the accused Abhishek Dubey in his statement.

They also claimed that Congress MLAs Irfan Ansari from Jamtara and Umashankar Akela from Barhi, along with independent MLA Amit Kumar Yadav, had also gone to Delhi with them on July 15 where they met some senior BJP leaders. Flight tickets, rooms in five-star hotels and all other arrangements in Delhi were made by Belkhede, they said.

> **All of them were promised the post of Deputy CM or ministerial berths..All kinds of tricks were used to topple an elected government in Jharkhand**
>
> Jharkhand Mukti Morcha

BORDER ROW

Two chief ministers locked in Twitter spat

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

Himanta Sarma

Zoramthanga

AS clashes erupted along the Assam-Mizoram interstate border, the chief ministers of the two states were engaged in a bitter spat on Twitter on Monday.

"I have just spoken to Hon'ble Chief Minister @ZoramthangaCM ji. I have reiterated that Assam will maintain status quo and peace between the borders of our state. I have expressed my willingness to visit Aizawl and discuss these issues if need be," Assam CM Himanta Biswa Sarma tweeted.

Responding to this, Mizroam CM Zoramthanga wrote: "Hon'ble @himantabiswa ji, as discussed I kindly urge that Assam Police @assampolice be instructed to withdraw from Vairengte for the safety of civilians."

Later, Sarma shared a video and wrote: "Honble @ZoramthangaCM ji, Kolasib (Mizoram) SP is asking us to withdraw from our post until then their civilians won't listen nor stop violence. How can we run government in such circumstances? Hope you will intervene at earliest."

In response, Zoramthanga tweeted saying the Assam police attacked civilians. "Dear Himantaji, after cordial meeting of CMs by Hon'ble Shri @amitshah ji, surprisingly 2 companies of Assam Police with civilians lathicharged & tear gassed civilians at Vairengte Auto Rickshaw stand inside Mizoram today. They even overrun CRPF personnel/Mizoram Police," he tweeted.

Meanwhile, the state Congress unit said, "It is a matter of great concern that two chief ministers, both belonging to NEDA alliance, are openly arguing with each other on Twitter.

Mizoram blames Assam for flare up

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IN the afternoon, Manipur's Kolasib district SP held talks with the Assam delegation. The SP returned again around 4.30 pm and claimed he had no control over the mob, the statement added.

Even while the talks were on, the Mizoram Police opened fire on the Assam officials and civilians from two dominating high features with automatic weapons, including light machine guns, the statement said.

For his part, Mizoram CM Zoramthanga condemned the Assam government's "unjustified act" of intrusion and aggression into Mizoram's territory. He said the injuries on both sides could have been avoided.

Giving his take of the incident, Mizoram Home Minister Lalchamliana said around 200 Assam Police personnel came to Mizoram's Vairengte auto-rickshaw stand at around 11.30 am by forcibly crossing a post manned by the CRPF and overran a Mizoram Police post. He said the Assam Police damaged several vehicles that were travelling along the national highway between Vairengte and Lailapur. "Upon learning of the arson committed by Assam Police, residents of Vairengte town, Kolasib district proceeded to the site to inquire. These unarmed civilians were assaulted by Assam Police by lathi-charging and firing of tear gas, thereby causing injuries to several civilians," Lalchamliana said.

Eight unoccupied farm huts near the trouble-torn area were torched. Lalchamliana said the SP of Kolasib had gone to the site to try and resolve the issue. However, the Assam side was adamant and unwilling to discuss, he claimed.

The confrontation continued and a volley of tear gas canisters and grenades were launched at Mizoram Police followed by firing from Assam side around 4:50 pm. The Mizoram Police responded by firing back at Assam Police.

VIRUS WOES

Worry over rise in Covid cases among visitors to J&K

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THOUGH Jammu and Kashmir has seen a dip in Covid-19 of late, there has been a rise in the proportion of visitors testing positive in the Union Territory.

For instance, between July 1 and July 25, 4,697 people have tested positive for Covid-19 in J&K. Of this, 410 (or 8.72%) are travelers from other states.

In July the visitors accounted for only 1.77% of all Covid cases in the Valley.

In June, a total of 23,302 people tested positive for Covid-19 in J&K. Of them, 777 were travelers. That's 3.33%.

In May, the Union Territory recorded 1,10,550 Covid cases. About 1.77% of the cases were travelers.

"After drop in positivity rate in J&K and decline in hospitalisation of Covid patients, we have re-opened. However, with the travelers coming and testing positive, it means that there is some sort of surge going on outside and they are sneaking in," Dr Nisar-ul-Hassan, president of Doctors Association Kashmir said.

According to Dr Nisar, when the administration has extended the closure of educational institutions, "we should not open up tourists".

Experts said a Covid negative report not older than 48 hours must be made mandatory for visitors.

"Only those with Covid negative report and fully vaccinated should be allowed entry into Jammu and Kashmir," Dr Nisar said.

6 test positive, 298 sent back from Haridwar

VINEET UPADHYAY @ Dehradun

SIX people tested positive for Covid-19 in Haridwar on Monday after the Government Railway Police (GRP) conducted rapid antigen tests on samples collected from 1,139 people.

"Out of these six, 4 are from Gujarat, and one each from Rajasthan and Andhra Pradesh. We are conducting intense checking in the trains to prevent unauthorised entry of Kanwar Yatris in Haridwar," Manoj Katyal, additional superintendent of police, Indian Railways said.

The GRP was conducting precautionary tests.

A total of 298 people have been sent back on trains and special buses to their home states. Meanwhile, despite ban on Kanwar Yatra, pilgrims are arriving in Haridwar, violating Covid norms and breaching security with the month of Saawan starting on Sunday.

Breaching very arrangement right from the borders of the district to Har Ki Pairi, the most famous Ganga ghat,

Thousands gathered on Sunday to take a dip in the Ganges, violating Covid norms.

Last month, the Uttarakhand High Court, noted how several lakh people were allowed to congregate in Har ki Pairi in Haridwar to take bathes in the Ganga.

Earlier on Sunday, Uttarakhand Police booked 14 Kanwar Yatris, who had travelled to Haridwar all the way from Haryana.

Senthil Avoodai Krishna Raj S, senior superintendent of police, Haridwar district said, "A case has been registered against 14 people under sections of Disaster Management Act 2005. After registering the case, they will now undergo quarantined for 14 days."

EXPRESS READ

JEE-Advanced exam on October 3

New Delhi: The Joint Entrance Examination (JEE)-Advanced will be conducted on October 3, Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan announced on Monday. The competitive exam, earlier scheduled to be held July 3, was postponed in view of the Covid-19 situation. "JEE (Advanced) 2021 examination for admission in #IITs will be held on the 3rd October, 2021. The examination will be conducted adhering to all Covid-protocols," the minister tweeted. This year, IIT-Kharagpur is conducting the exam, which is the qualifying test for admission to the prestigious Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs). While the JEE-Mains is conducted for admission to engineering colleges across the country, it is considered as a qualifying test for the JEE-Advanced.

President pays respect to martyrs of Kargil war

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

President salutes after laying a wreath at War Memorial in Kashmir | ZAHOOR PUNJABI

PRESIDENT Ram Nath Kovind, who could not fly to Kargil due to bad weather, offered floral tributes to soldiers killed in the 1999 Kargil War at War Memorial in north Kashmir's Baramulla on Monday.

The president was scheduled to attend the Kargil Vijay Diwas function at the Kargil War Memorial in Drass, Ladakh to mark the 22nd anniversary of Kargil war.

However, due to bad weather, the trip to Kargil was cancelled and the president visited the Dagger War Memorial in Baramulla in north Kashmir and laid a wreath to pay tributes to all soldiers killed in 1999 war with Pakistan.

"The nation salutes the soldiers and officers of the 19th Infantry Division, who have been safeguarding our borders in the most hostile terrains under adverse weather conditions as our frontline troops. They have scripted exceptional stories of indomitable courage, bravery and sacrifice," the President said in his message.

He later visited Army's High Altitude Warfare School, Gulmarg, which is a premier institution in the field of warfare. There he interacted with soldiers and officers. It is the second time that President Kovind had to cancel his Kargil visit on Kargil Vijay Diwas. In 2019, too, he could not visit Kargil due to bad weather. President Kovind became the first high-profile person to visit J&K since the bifurcation of the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir into two Union Territories.

ON A MISSION

Youth seeks AI's help to spread climate awareness

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ Patna

BIHAR-BORN Siddhant Sarang, 21, is an undergraduate student of history at Delhi University's Satyawati College. A keen observer of global climate-related occurrences since his school days, he is set to launch a podcast in Bhojpuri dialect called 'Dharti Maiya'.

Through podcast, he wants to reach out to the rural people in Bihar and UP on climate change. Bhojpuri is the 8th most spoken language in India and 3rd most spoken in Nepal too, with 51 million native speakers as per the 2011 census. Sarang, as one of the youngest environmental activists, is also getting an Artificial Intelligence (AI)-enabled app in addition to his podcast to create awareness on environment and ecology.

Born in Bihar's Muzaffarpur district, Sarang went to school where his passion led him to make a short documentary film on climate that won him an award. "Climate change is a stark reality. It is our fundamental responsibility to save the climate by becoming eco-friendly in our activities," he said. Sarang's podcast, launched in February, will soon be disseminating information through 22 other regional languages listed in the Indian Constitution.

"Being a student I don't have funds to appoint translators. So, I have decided to take the help of the AI-enabled system to make both the podcast and the app multilingual," he said.

Siddhant Sarangth

Machine rented to clean Sukhna Lake

The Chandigarh administration has for the first time rented an Aquatic Weed Harvesting Machine (AWHM) to remove weeds from the Sukhna Lake. The machine is rented for three-and-half-months from a Mumbai-based company for Rs 12 lakh per month. The administration expects to remove all the weeds from the lake within three months. The area of the lake has decreased from the original 228 hectares to 148 hectares due to heavy weed infestation, which has made the lake unattractive to tourists. The weeds growing in the lake include potamogeton crispus, hydrilla verticillata and vallisneria spiralis.

HARPREET BAJWA
Our correspondent in Chandigarh
hsbajwa73@gmail.com

CHANDIGARH DIARY

Administration to incentivise purchase of e-vehicles

The Chandigarh Administration is contemplating giving financial incentives to people to buy electric vehicles. The Chandigarh Renewal Energy and Science & Technology Promotion Society has proposed waiving registration fee. They have already been exempted from road tax in Chandigarh till 2023. These incentives will be given to the buyers of e-vehicles that cost less than `15 lakh. As per the proposal, `5,000 incentive will be offered to buyers of first 1,000 e-four-wheelers with per kWh of battery capacity. Also, ` 5,000 incentive will be offered to buyers of first 2,000 electric two-wheelers per kWh of battery capacity and ` 30,000 incentive is proposed forthsoe buying for purchase of electric three-wheelers

Chandigarh ropes in 2 senior civil servants

The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has cleared Nitin Kumar Yadav, a 2000-batch IAS officer of Haryana cadre to be posted as Home Secretary of Chandigarh and. The MHA has also cleared Anindita Mitra, a 2007-batch IAS officer of Punjab cadre to be posted as Chandigarh Municipal Commissioner. These names have been sent to the Department of Personnel and Training to be placed before the cabinet appointments committee. Once cleared by the committee, the Department of Personnel will issue orders. It is more or less clear by now that both will be joining the administration

Chandigarh Airport won't get latest landing system

Due to obstructions in the airfield, the CAT-3 instrument landing system (ILS) cannot be installed at the Chandigarh International Airport. This means the airport will continue to see flight cancellations in winters when there is thick fog and the visibility is less than 100 metres. The ILS helps pilots to safely land the aircraft at times when the visibility is poor. In fact, it allows for safe flight operations even when the visibility is as low as 50 metres. At present, the airport has CAT-2 system, which works when the visibility is 350 metres or more. Pilots require at least 100-metre visibility to safely land an aircraft.

IN THE COURT OF CITY CIVIL JUDGE AT BANGALORE (CCH-1)
Misc Petition No. 287 / 2021

BETWEEN : 1. M/S SUSHI ASWATH FOUNDATION, Office at No.22/4, 1st Cross, Millers Road, Benson Town, Bangalore 560 046, Rep by its Chairman, Mr. B A Rajendra Singh S/o Late Ashwathnarayan Singh, Age: 60 years.
2. MR. B. A RAJENDRA SINGH S/o Late Ashwathnarayan Singh, Age : 60 years, Chairman/Trustee of Petitioner No.1
3. MRS. PRABHA DEVI @ PUSHPA SINGH S/o Mr B A Rajendra Singh, Age : 55 years, Trustee of Petitioner No.1
Both/at No.22/4, 1st Cross, Millers Road, Benson Town, Bangalore 560046, Rep by its Principal Trustee ...Petitioners
AND : NIL ...Respondent

NOTICE TO GENERAL PUBLIC

WHEREAS, the Petitioner has instituted the above suit for to grant the permission under Section 92 (1) (f) of Civil Procedure Code, 1908 Read with Section 34 of Indian Trust Act 1882 to the Petitioner Trust to avail loan/mortgage from Nationalized, Schedule & Private Banks, Co-opertative Financial and Private Financial Institutions including Karnataka State Co-operative Apex Bank Limited Chamarajpet Head Office Branch Bangalore for the purpose of construction and development of the Trust schedule Property bearing Sy No.43 P-1 situated at Doddajalla Village, Jala Hobli, Bangalore North, Bangalore measuring 2 Acres 18 of land. If anyone has objections with regards to the above said trust or schedule property. You are hereby appear & file objections in the court in person or by an Advocate on the 19th day of August 2021 at 11 AM otherwise the case will be heard and determined in your absence as an ex-parte.

Take notice that in default of your appearance on the day aforementioned the matter will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court this the 23rd day of July 2021.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the schedule property bearing Sy No.43, P-1 situated at Doddajalla Village, Jala Hobli, Bangalore North, Bangalore measuring 2 Acres 18 of land.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT, Asst Registrar City Civil Judge, Bangalore

Advocate for Plaintiff:
B. RAVINDRA PRASAD
Advocates & Solicitors,
No.19, P G Halli, 2nd Main Road, Vinayaka Circle, Malleshwaram, Bangalore 560 003.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My client is intended to purchase the schedule 'B' & 'C' property for a valuable consideration from M/s. Amlgos Consortia LLP, represented by its Managing Partner Mr. Gopalakrishna, having office at No.8/1A/7/29,F07/1, 1st Floor, AMITY Shelter, 13th Cross 4th Main, Choodenapuara Village, Kodi Palya, Kengeri Bangalore- 560 060.

If any person/s having any claims, right, title, interest, whatsoever over the schedule 'B' & 'C property may forward their objections to the undersigned in writing, within fifteen days from the date of this notice. Failing which it will be presumed that there are no claims, right, title or interest by anybody and my client will proceed with the purchase transaction and will get register the absolute sale deed of schedule 'B' & 'C' property in to his name.

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY

Schedule I Property: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property comprising in Site No.15 (Property No.15-34) situated at 12th Cross, Nayanappa Shetty Palya, Ward No.65 of Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore, measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 40 feet and with total area measuring 2400 Sq. feet and bounded on: East by: Road, West by: Site No.8, North by: Site No.16, South by: Road.

Schedule I Property: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property comprising in Site No.16 (Property No.16-42) situated at 12th Cross, Nayanappa Shetty Palya, Ward No.65 of Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore, measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 40 feet and with total area measuring 2,400 Sq. feet and bounded on East by: Road, West by: Site No.7, North by: Site No.17, South by: Site No.15.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY

All that part and parcel of 300 Sq. ft., Undivided share, rights, title and interest in Schedule- A property, being the corresponding undivided share in land in respect of the Schedule C Apartment.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property comprising in the Residential flat apartment unit bearing Flat No.G01, measuring super built up area of 1,112 Sq feet, Situated in Ground Floor along with one covered car parking space in the Basement floor, in the Apartment Complex "N. D. Hazel" constructed over the schedule A Property, having BBMP PID No.65/171-42.

G. NARAYANA HEBBAR, Advocate
No.38/15, W.A.T Street, Basavanagudi, Bangalore. Mob: 9886476125
080-26614488. Dated:23.07.2021

MANDYA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES MANDYA-571 401

(Autonomous Medical Institution, Government of Karnataka)
(Phone : 08232-231003, Fax:08232-231001,
E-mail : mimsmandya@gmail.com)
Website : www.mimsmandya.org
No:MIMS/Sup(2)/76/2020-21 Date:23.07.2021

E-TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through e-procurement only)

MIMS, Mandya, invites tender for supply of Medical Journals from the Publishers OR Authorized Distributors in Two Cover Bid System as per KTPP Act 1999

Sl. No : **01.** Tender Particulars : **National and International Medical Journals.** Approximate Cost (Rs. Lakh) : **90 Lakhs**. EMD (Rs.) : **1,35,000.00.**

Submission of e-Tender by paying Non Refundable fees is from **24.07.2021** and last date for filing of Tenders is **07.08.2021 up to 5.30 PM.** Further details can be obtained from website : **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** More details may be obtained from the MIMS office during working hours. (Except General Holiday's)

Sd/-Chief Administrative Officer,
Mandya Institute of Medical Sciences, Mandya

DIPR/AD-MDY/MCA/225/2021-22

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that, my client DIVYA AGGARWAL S/o Ashok Aggarwal & PRITI AGGARWAL W/o Divya Aggarwal intends to purchase the below mentioned vacant site property morefully described here below as Schedule Property from JITESH PAMNANI S/o Late. Jairam Das Pamnani & MONEESHA RAJPAL W/o Jitesh Pamnani. Persons objecting for the proposed purchase or having any right in the Schedule Property may lodge their objections and/or claims with the undersigned along with supporting documentary evidence within 15 days from the date of publication of this Notice. Objections/or claims received there after will not be binding on my clients and my clients shall proceed to purchase the below mentioned property as if there are no claimants/ objections.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of the Site No.123, Present E-Katha No. 150200102200320585 measuring East by 70 feet, west by 60 feet and north by 60 feet, South by 60 feet in all measuring 3900 sqft. in the residential layout known as "Sree Bliss County" and formed as per the layout plan issued by the Anekal Planning authority vide No. APA/LA0/09/2009-10 dated: 01.10.2009 and carved out of the properties bearing Survey Nos. 28/2, 29/2, 30/1, 30/2, and 31 converted for residential purpose, Situated at Kooguru Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, with all appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded East by: Site No.124, 125 & 126 West by: Road, North by: Road, South by: Site No 122

L RAJESH, Advocates
Varthur, Bangalore -560 087.
Mob. No. 9845525717

CLASSIFIEDS

PUBLIC NOTICE
CHANGE OF NAME

CHANGE OF NAME

I, JAYAKUMARI K, spouse of No.6463172 H, Rank-Ex Late Nb/Sub, Name-GOPI NADAR K, No. 10, G J Nivas, 18th Cross, Ejipura Bus Stand, Viveknagar P.O, Bangalore - 560 047 have changed my name from JAYAKUMARI K to JAYA GOPI vide affidavit dated 26.7.2021 (26th July 2021)

CHANGE OF NAME

I, BERNICE VINCY COOPER W/o Montgomery Cooper, R/a B41, Diamond District, Old Airport Road, Kodihalli, Bangalore-560008, have changed my daughter name from BRITNEY ANTHONETTE COOPER to BRITNEY ANTONETTE COOPER, vide affidavit dated 26-07-2021, before Notary A.R. MUNEER AHMED at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) ZAHRA ABDUL QADIR CHHABRAWALA, residing at No. 101, Babji Residency, 1st Floor, 82-83, Gottigere, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560083, have changed my name from (OLD NAME) ZAHRA ABDUL QADIR CHHABRAWALA to (NEW NAME) ZAHRA MUFADDAL ZAKIR vide affidavit Dated 26/07/2021 sworn before Notary R.Basavaraja, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, KALA DHARMARAJAN, Spouse of IC 26442 RAMASWAMY IYER DHARMARAJAN, residing at #93, First Main Road, South Block, UPKAR RESIDENCY, Bangalore-560091, have changed my name from Kala Dharamarajan to KALA DHARMARAJAN vide affidavit dated 20-07-2021, sworn to before the Advocate & Notary, Mr. U.L. SOMAPPA, Bangalore-560050.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, NIRMALA RAGHUNATH, R/a G-204, 24th Main Road, 2nd Sector, HSR Layout, Bangalore-560102, Karnataka, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from NIRMALA LAKKANNA to NIRMALA RAGHUNATH, henceforth I shall be known and called as NIRMALA RAGHUNATH only, vide affidavit dated 26-07-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary V. SRINIVASA REDDY at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Mohammed Nawab, S/o Sri. Ibrahim Sab, aged about 45 years, R/at # 420, 5th Cross, Madeena Nagar, Mangammanapalya, Bommanahalli, Bangalore. I state that, My daughter correct name is 'HAJIRA KULSUM' but in Aadhar card her name is mentioned as HAJIRA and in Amanath Bank Khushal Deposit receipt her name mentioned as BI BI FATHIMA, Hereby declare that, all the three names are one and same it belongs to my daughter HAJIRA KULSUM only. Further I state that, in Kushal Deposit my name mentioned as NAWAB but my correct name is 'MOHAMMED NAWAB' only, vide Affidavit dated 06.07.2021, Sworn before Advocate and Notary B.V. Nagabhushana, Bengaluru.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client Sri. Krishna Murthy C.N, S/o Sri. Nagaraj Reddy C.N, Aged about 34 years, R/o No.69, 4th Cross, Vittasandra Road, Lakshmi Layout, Begur, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bangalore-560114 is intends to purchase the property more particularly described in the schedule hereunder written from Smt. Shashikala. M, W/o Anthony Swamy and from Shashikala W/o Nagaraja Reddy C.N, who represented that they have clear and marketable title to the same. Any person/s, financial institutions and statutory authorities who claims any right, title or interest of any nature in or any lien, charge or enforceable right in relation to the schedule property and or has any objections of any nature to the aforesaid transaction should lodge such claims and / or objections in writing to the undersigned together with supporting documents within *SEVEN (7) days* from today, failing which it will be presumed that no valid claims or objections subsist and my client would proceed to complete the transaction with the present owners thereof subject to compliance with other statutory and legal formalities.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Site No.20, Old Katha No.109, Present BBMP Katha No.18/109/20, Situated at Lakshmi Layout, Formed in Sy. No.18 of Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, now comes under the limits of BBMP, Begur Sub-Division, Bangalore, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet totally measuring to an extent of 1200 Sq.Ft and commonly bounded on the:
East by: Site No.19, West by: Site No.21,
North by: Site No.30, South by: Road.

Sd/-
M. Ananda, *B.A., LLB.,* Advocate,
No.22, Ground Floor, Papanna Building, Begur Main Road, Near Sub-Registrar Office, Opp. Canara Bank, Begur, Bangalore-560114.
Mob: 9845343337.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT CENTRAL PRISON MYSORE, ASHOKA ROAD,MYSORE-570007

No:CPM/Tender/Medicine/CR-18/2021-2022
Dated:23.07.2021

E-PROCUREMENT NOTICE CALL-2

FOR SELECTION OF VENDOR FOR SUPPLY OF MEDICINES/DRUGS LAB CHEMICALS/ REAGENTS AND X-RAY MISCELANEOUS ITEMS TO MYSURU CENTRAL PRISON FOR THE YEAR 2021-22 to be procured, through e–procurement as per KTPP ACT 1999 and KTPP Rules 2000.

Bidders can also take assistance with e-Procurement at https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in for further details.

Sl.No. 1. **Tender No.:** DP/2020-21/IND1132 **Brief detail of Tender:** MEDICINES/DRUGS LAB CHEMICALS/ REAGENTS AND X-RAY MISCELANEOUS ITEMS. **Estimation Amount:** 53,75,539/-

Tender events Are as Followed. CALL-2

1) Tender Publishing Date: 24.07.2021 **2)** Name OF Office: Central Prison Mysuru. **3)** Tender Uploading Date: 23.07.2021 **4)** Pre bid Meeting: 27.07.2021 11:30 AM. **5)** Last Date for Quiries: 27.07.2021 5:30 PM **6)** Last Date for Tender Receipt: 31.07.2021. **7)** Technical Bid Date: 02.08.2021. **8)** Financial Bid Date: 04.08.2021. **9)** Name of The Officer to be Contact: Chief Superintendent Central Prison Mysuru, Ph No:0821-2492092

Sd/- Chief Superintendent Central Prison Mysuru

DIPR/DDMYS/MCA/337/2021-22

CHANGE OF NAME

I, AJITESH.S. SAGADE R/at No.93, 7th A Cross, BSK 3rd Stage, Sri Rama Nagar, Ittamadu Main Road, Bengaluru-560085, have changed my name to AJITESH SAGADE vide affidavit dated: 24/07/2021 Before Notary H.S.Sakalesh Aradhya Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, NAYAN KUMAR I, R/a No. 4316, 2nd Floor, 1st Cross, 14th Main, Subramanyanagar, Bangalore-560021, Karnataka, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from NAYANA KUMAR I to NAYAN KUMAR I, henceforth I shall be known and called as NAYAN KUMAR I only, vide affidavit dated 26-07-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary V. SRINIVASA REDDY at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Mohammed Faizuddin, S/o. Fasiuddin A, aged about 22 years, R/at. No.563, Dharmanna Garden, 2nd Cross, Dinnur, R.T.Nagar Post, Bengaluru-560 032 and also at No.52, 4th Cross Road, SBM Colony, Mathikere, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560054. I have changed my name from FASIUDDIN MOHAMMED FAIZUDDIN to MOHAMMED FAIZUDDIN. Vide affidavit dated 26.07.2021, Sworn to before Advocate & Notary P.G.Unnikrishnan, Bangalore.

Karnataka State Natural Disaster Monitoring Centre

(A Regd. Society of Govt. of Karnataka)
Major Sandeep Unnikrishna Road, Near Yelahanka
Attur Layout, Bengaluru - 560 064. Phone : 080 - 6735 5000.

No. : KSNDMC/ACT/13/2020 Date : 22-07-2021

E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

KSNDMC invites tenders for the following through e-procurement portal

1) **KSNDMC/TECH/09/2021** for Supply, Installation & Commissioning of UPS and Batteries.
2) **KSNDMC/TECH/11/2021** for Supply and Installation of Large Format Display Units at Belagavi, Hubballi - Dharwad, Mangaluru and Bengaluru.
3) **KSNDMC/ADM/07/2021(2)/Call-2** for Supply and Installation of Equipment to establish **SEOC** at **KSNDMC.**
4) **KSNDMC/TECH/12/2021** for Supply, Installation and maintenance of Servers, Workstation Comp, Desktop Comp, Firewall and SAN Storage Device at **KSNDMC.**

The tender document and details on pre bid meeting and last date for submission can be obtained on e-procurement portal of **GoK. https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/- Director

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that my client intends to purchase the immoveable property described in the SCHEDULE hereunder from its owner, Mrs. RASHMI KRISHNASWAMY, aged about 41 years, wife of Mr. M.J. Krishnaswamy, residing at No.42/f-3, SURAJYOG APARTMENTS, 12th Cross, 19th B Main, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru – 560 010, for a lawful and valid consideration.

Any person / Bank / Society / Firm / Company / Institutions / Trust / Government Authorities / Organizations / Board or any other body, having any legally enforceable claims, right, title, interest, ownership on the below mentioned Schedule property, may lodge their objections, claims in writing with the supporting documents with the undersigned within 7 (SEVEN) days from the date of the issuance of this Public Notice, after which period our client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the Schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of residential property bearing No.155, Municipal No.212/1, and BBMP KATHA No.216/1/212/1/155, BBMP PID No.009-W0340-22, (Old Katha No.569/599/155 and Old Byatarayanapura CMC Katha No.212/155), measuring east to west 30 feet and north to south 40 feet, in all measuring 1200 square feet, situated at Thindlu Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, BBMP Ward No.9, Bengaluru, along with a Residential House measuring 8 (Eight) Squares with all the amenities and constructed using Brick, RCC Roof, Mosaic Flooring, Teak Wood Front Door and Honne Wood Doors and Windows and the property is bounded on the:-
East by : Road;
West by : Site No.175;
North by : Site No.156;
South by : Road.

G.S.Srinivas, AJS Advocates
8, II Main, 9th Cross, Indiranagar I Stage, Bengaluru-560 038. Mob: 9845163155
Date: 26/07/2021

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SHARMILA KUMARLAL W/o J.Suresh Lal., R/at Flat No.209, A Block, Amardham Aprts, 6th Main,1st Cross, Vinayakanagar,konenaagrahara, Bengaluru- 560017 have Changed my name to KAVITHA SURESH LAL CHABRIA vide affidavit dated: 26/07/2021 Before Notary K.V.Mani Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, MAHALAKSHMI .T. Spouse of No 16122895F L/Nk Thangadurai.V. Residing at #64, Koovanuthu Puthur, Koovanuthu (Post), Dindigul (Tk & Dist), Tamil Nadu (State), Pin:624003, have changed my name from MAHALAKSHMI.T. to MAHALAKSHMI.R. Vide Affidavit Dated 23.07.2021 Sworn Before Notary Gangaraju.B.N. Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SALEEM PASHA SAYEED PASHA, aged about about 18 years, S/o. Saleem Pasha, R/at No. 7/2, 7th Cross, 2nd Main, Vinayaka Nagar, Adugodi Post, Bangalore 560030 have changed my name to SAYEED PASHA vide Affidavit Dated 26-07-2021, before the Advocate and Notary S. Jayanthi, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, LIKHIT KUMAR KARIYANAKATTE VINAYAKUMAR S/o Kariyanakatte Hombalegowda Vinaya Kumar., R/at No.315, A Block, Mahaveer Gardenia Apts, 32nd Cross, Kumaraswamy Layout, Bangalore -560078, have changed my name to LIKHITH KUMAR KARIYANAKATTE VINAYA KUMAR vide affidavit dated:26/07/2021 Before Notary A.R.Muneer Ahmed Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, V.LATHA, W/o Late Dhanavelu.A, (Service No JC-308669A Ex NB/SUB) Residing at H.No.63, Subbanapalya, 2nd Cross, M.S. Nagar, Bangalore, 560033, have changed my son name from LEENGASH to LINGESH .D. Vide Affidavit Dated 23.07.2021, sworn Before Notary Gangaraju .B.N. Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, JYOTHIRMAYEE .S, R/at B10-0505, L&T South City, Arekere MICO Layout, Off Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560076 have changed my name to JYOTHIRMAYEE SWAMINATHAN vide Affidavit Dated 22-07-2021, before the Advocate and Notary A.S. Narayana Reddy, Bangalore.

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e-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE

e-tenders are invited for purchase of HT Trivector Meters (TN-2670, UBN- VVN2122G LOB00177), LT Trivector Meters (TN-2671, UBN- VVN2122G LOB00178), Single Phase Moulded Meter Box (TN-2672, UBN- VVN2122G LOB00179), Three Phase Moulded Meter Box (TN-2673, UBN- VVN2122G LOB00180), 33 KV CTs 400/200/100-5/5 (TN-2674, UBN- VVN2122G LOB00181), Audio seal for HT & MIP Consumers (TN-2675, UBN- VVN2122G SOB00183), Double Anchor Tamper evident Poly-carbonate Seals (TN-2676, UBN- VVN2122G LOB00184), Sticker Seals (TN-2677, UBN- VVN2122GSOB00185), Safety Shoes (TN-2678, UBN- VVN2122G LOB00186), High Voltage Insulating Mats (TN-2679, UBN- VVN2122G LOB00182), Automatic CT-PT Testing Bench (TN-2680, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00187), 5.0 MVA 33/11 KV Power Transformers (TN-2681, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00188), 10/12.5 MVA 33/11 KV Power Transformers (TN-2682, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00189), 110V-120 AH capacity Battery Sets (TN-2683, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00191), Battery chargers suitable for 110V-120 AH capacity Battery Sets (TN-2684, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00192), 33 KV C&R Panel (TN-2685, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00194), 36 KV Indoor VCBs (TN-2686, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00195), 12 KV Indoor VCBs (TN-2687, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00197), 16 KVA Three Phase Aluminium wound BIS Level-2 (Star-1) completely self protected (CSP) Distribution Transformer with provision of LT Bushing Box (TN-2688, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00190), 25 KVA 3-Phase Aluminium wound BIS Level-2 (Star-1) completely self protected (CSP) Distribution Transformer with provision of LT Bushing Box (TN-2689, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00193), 40 KVA 3-Phase Aluminium wound BIS Level-2 completely self protected (CSP) Distribution Transformer with provision of LT Bushing Box (TN-2690, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00196), 63 KVA & 100 KVA Three Phase Aluminium wound Distribution Transformers BIS Level –2 (Star-1) (TN-2691, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00198), 160 KVA 3-Phase Aluminium wound Energy efficient Level-2(Star-1) Distribution Transformer (TN-2692, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00199), 315 KVA 3-Phase Copper wound Energy efficient Level-2(Star-1) Distribution Transformer (TN-2693, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00200), 500 KVA 3-Phase Copper wound Energy efficient Level-2(Star-1) Distribution Transformer (TN-2694, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00201), 10 KVA Single phase Aluminium wound BIS Level-2 Distribution Transformer with ICB (TN-2695, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00202) and 16 KVA Single Phase Aluminium wound BIS Level-2 Distribution Transformer with ICB (TN-2696, UBN- VVN2122GLOB00203). All the details regarding tenders are available at web site www.energy.rajasthan.gov.in/jvvnl, www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in and www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in. In future, corrigendum/ extension, if any, shall be published only at above web sites.

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EXECUTIVE ENGINEER

Public Works Department, Kolar Division, Kolar - 563 101.
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email: eeklr@kpwd.gov.in, website: www.kpwd.gov.in

e-Tender Notification - K.W.4

Re-Tender Notification No. 6/2021-22 dt 23.07.2021
Ref.:1.Tender Extn. Notification No. 33-1/2020-21 Dt.11.01.2021

Re-Tender is invited through e-procurement for the work in the limits of Srinivasapura Taluk, Kolar District Public Works Department from the Registered Contractors under **H/A:5054-M.D.R. Improvements.** Amount put to tender : **Rs. 300.00 Lakhs.** EMD Amount : Exempted as per Govt. order.**(EMD Declaration format should be uploaded compulsorily).** Period for completion : 9 months.

Contractors may download the tender documents KW-4 from Karnataka State e-Procurement portal viz. **(https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in).** Filled in tenders shall be uploaded **on or before 4.00 p.m. on 26.08.2021** through Karnataka State e-Procurement portal. Tender received will be opened **after 4.30 p.m. on 27.08.2021** in e-procurement. Further details regarding the works and also for details about this tender notification, please contact e-procurement portal and also you may contact this office during working hours.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
PWD Division, Kolar.

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CHANGE OF NAME

I, PRAKASH HARIHARAN., R/at No.101, My Dream Keerthiriviera, 6th Cross, 6th Main, Kaggadasapura, Bangalore-560093, have changed my name to PRAKAASH HARIHARAN, vide affidavit dated:26/7/2021 Before Notary K.V.Mani Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) MUMTAZ, W/o. Syed Nisar Ahmed, residing at No. 333, LIG, 6th Main, 1st Stage, K.H.B.Colony, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore-560079, have changed my name to (NEW NAME) MUMTAZ BEGUM vide affidavit Dated 02/07/2021 sworn before Notary B.V.Nagabhushana, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, MUNIRAJU .B, aged about 40 years, S/o. Late Bodireddy, R/at No. 3, Sampangi Ramareddy Building, Near Ananya School, Hebbagodi, Chandapura, Bangalore 560099 have changed my name to SATISH REDDY .B vide Affidavit Dated 26-07-2021, before the Advocate and Notary Shivashanakarappa, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, VIDYA VINAY SARVOTHAM R/at No.157, Raja Prakruthi Apts, No.005, 4th Cross, 10th main, 1st Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru -560011, have changed my Minor Daughter name From VARSHA VINAY to VARSHA VINAY SARVOTHAM vide affidavit dated:24/07/2021 Before Notary H.S.Sakalesh Aradhya Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) HEMANTH KUMAR.T., S/o. Thulasidaran, residing at No. 670, New No. 29/191, 9th Main, 10th Cross, Maruthi Layout, Hennur Road Cross, Kalyannagar Post, Bangalore-560043, have changed my name to (NEW NAME) HEMANTHA KUMAR THULASIDARAN vide affidavit Dated 24/06/2021 sworn before Notary Prakash.C., Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

We, Parameshwara aged about 45 years S/o. Puttaiah and Prathiba aged about 38 years, W/o. Parameshwara R/at 21/2, 15th Cross, K.P. Agrahara, Bhuvaneshwarinagar, Bangalore-560023 We have changed our daughter's name from YAKSHA P. to NAMITHA P. vide affidavit dated 29-02-2020 sworn before notary M.K. Devaki, Bangalore.

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POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property) APPENDIX IV under Act- Rule 8(1)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Bank Of Baroda Brigade Road Branch, Bangalore** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Sec 13(12) read with Rule-3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued Demand Notice dated **07.04.2021** calling upon the Borrower: **1) Mr. Vijay Kumar K.G** S/o K N Gangadhar **2) Mrs. Swapna** W/o Vijaya Kumar K G, both are residing at No. 141, 2nd Floor, 9th Cross, 2nd main 1st Block, BEL layout, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore-560097, **Guarantors: 1) Mr. Prashantha M S** S/o Srinivas Mahadikar, Ground Floor, Block 1, No. 9, Prestige Blue Chip, Hosur Road, Bangalore - 560029 **2) Mr. Vishal Raj,** S/o Devarajan Flat No. 19, Sri Dev Residency, 4th Cross, Chowdaiah Block, R.T. Nagar, Near Siddartha Public School, Bangalore- 560032 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being under **Rs. 39,66,795.37** (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakhs Sixty Six Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Five and Paisa Thirty Seven Only) as on **31.08.2020** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgager having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub Section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **22nd day of July 2021.**

The Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgager in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Bank of Baroda** for an amount of **Rs. 39,66,795.37** (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakhs Sixty Six Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Five and Paisa Thirty Seven Only) as on **31.08.2020** and interest thereon.

The Borrower's attention is invited to Provisions of Sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Schedule A: Property bearing No.2, Assessment No.84/1. Katha No.1785, Municipal No.54, present Bangalore Mahanagara Palike vide BMP PID No.96-49-54, Manjunatha Layout Main Road, situated at Cholanayakanahalli Village. Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk measuring East to West 72 Feet and North to South 40 Feet bounded by East: Private Property, West by: 25 Feet Road, North by: Property No.3-4&5 and South by: Property No.1

Schedule B: All the part and parcel Mortgage of property No. Flat No. T-2, 3BHK, 3rd Floor in apartment 'Raghavendra Gate Way". PID No. 96-49-54/9, measuring 1590 Sq Feet with an undivided share of 360 Sq Feet of right, title and interest in the schedule A property with one covered car parking space in the basement, situated at Cholanayakanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Manjunatha Layout Main Road, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore.

Place : Bangalore
Date : 22.07.2021

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Bank of Baroda

भारत सरकार, अंतरिक्ष विभाग
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

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SATISH DHAWAN SPACE CENTRE SHAR
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ई-निविदा संक्षिप्त सूचना / E-TENDER BRIEF NOTICE

ई-निविदा सूचना सं. सीएमजी/सी/जी 218709 तिथि / Dt:16.07.2021
e-Tender Notice No.CMG/C/G 218709

1. भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से निम्नलिखित कार्य के लिए मुहरबंद सामग्री-दर निविदा ई-टेंडरिंग द्वारा आमंत्रित है / On Behalf of the President of India, item-rate tender is invited through e-tendering for the following work(s).

विवरण Name of work	ब्यौरा Details
कार्य का नाम Title of Work	सतीश धवन अंतरिक्ष केंद्र शार के स्प्रॉब में संबंधित नियंत्रण कक्ष तक मिक्सर/बाउल सफाई भवन से जुड़ने वाली बाह्य केबल ट्रेंच का निर्माण। / Construction of External cable Trench connecting Mixer/Bowl cleaning buildings to respective Control rooms at SPROB, SDSC SHAR (Civil & Road works).
एनआईटी सं. व तिथि NIT No & Date	सीएमजी/सी/जी 218709, तिथि: 16.07.2021 CMG/C/G 218709, Dt: 16.07.2021
निविदा की अनुमानित लागत Estimated Cost put to tender	₹ 59.00 लाख / Lakhs
पूरा करने की अवधि Period of Completion	05 (पांच) महीने / (Five) Months
निविदा दस्तावेज़ मंगवाने की अवधि Period during which the tender documents can be requested	27/07/2021 को 10:00 बजे से 05/08/2021 को 14:00 बजे तक / From: 27/07/2021,10:00 Hrs To: 05/08/2021,14:00 Hrs
निविदाओं को अपलोड करने हेतु अंतिम तिथि व समय Last date and time for uploading of tenders.	09/08/2021 को 14:30 बजे / Hrs
बयाना जमा (ईएमडी) Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	संलग्नक-1 के रूप में अनुलग्नित निर्धारित प्रपत्र में बयाना राशि जमा घोषणा पत्र प्रस्तुत करेंगे। Earnest Money Deposit Declaration shall be submitted in prescribed format enclosed as Annexure-1

2. कृपया इच्छुक निविदाकार विस्तृत सूचना आमंत्रित निविदा (एनआईटी) हेतु हमारी वेबसाइट www.isro.gov.in या www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO को देखें। अन्य विवरण एवं निविदा दस्तावेजों के क्रय हेतु www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO पर जाएं या दूरभाष सं. 08623 226447, 226420 पर संपर्क करें। Interested tenderers may please refer Detailed Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) from website www.isro.gov.in / www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO. For further details and purchase of tender documents visit www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO, Ph: 08623 226447, 226420.

समूह प्रधान, सीएमजी, एसडीएससी शार / Group Head, CMG, SDSC SHAR

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client Sri. Shivanna S/o Late Hanumanthaiah, aged about 61 years, R/at No. 684, 2nd Cross, Mahalakshmi Layout, Church Road, Channapatna Town and Taluk, Ramanagara District, Karnataka-562160, has agreed to Purchase the Schedule property from its owner Sri. Sachin S. Sonnad S/o Sri. Sharanappa Sonnad, aged about 30 years, R/at No. 249, 2nd Type, BEML Nagar, KGF Bangarpet, Kolar District, Karnataka-563114 and he is a absolute owner in peaceful possession and enjoyment of the House property bearing No. 9, V.P. Khatha No. 348/7/2/9 out of converted Sy.No. 7/2, Ramasandra Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West 39.6 Feet and North to South 30 Feet, totally measuring 1185 Sq. Feet, which is consisting of Ground, First and Second Floor RCC Roofed Building with Borewell, Electric Supply, Village Panchayath Water and sanitization facilities, which is morefully described in the Schedule property and all the Registered Title Deed and Revenue documents are stands in the name of Sri. Sachin S. Sonnad S/o Sharanappa Sonnad till date. Hence the public in general and in particular any persons, banks, financial institutions, authorities or anybody if having any objections or claims in respect of the Schedule property are hereby requested to register their objections if any for the proposed Purchase by my client with supporting documents in the following addresses within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice. If there are no objection registered within the stipulated time with supporting documents, my client would proceed further to Purchase the Schedule property as if there are no claims or objections and the property mentioned in the Schedule hereunder is free from all encumbrances. The claims registered thereafter will not be entertain.

SCHEDULE

All the piece and parcel of the House property bearing No. 9, V.P. Khatha No. 348/7/2/9 carved out of Sy.No. 7/2 of Ramasandra Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bengaluru, being converted for residential purpose vide conversion order No. ALN(S)SR.(KEM)127/2008-09 dated; 27-05-2009 the property comes under the limits of Sulikere Village Panchayath, present E-Khatha No. 150200301900400355, issued by Sulikere Village panchayath, Bengaluru, measuring East to West 39.6 Feet and North to South 30 Feet, totally measuring 1185 Sq. Feet, and bounded on by: East by: 30 Feet Road, West by: Site No. 22, North by: Site No. 10, South by: Site No. 8.

Which is consisting of Ground, First and Second Floor RCC Roofed Building with Borewell, Electric Supply, Village Panchayath Water and sanitization facilities.

G.V. ASHWATHNARAYANA, Advocate
No. 192, 6th Main, Mahaganapathi Nagara, West of Chord Road, Rajajinagara, Bangalore 560 010 Mob: 98453 02561.
DATE: 26-07-2021

CHANGE OF NAME

I, VIREN VINAY., R/at No.157, Raja Prakruthi Apts, No.005, 4th Cross, 10th main,1st Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560011, have changed my name to VIREN VINAY SARVOTHAM vide affidavit dated:24/07/2021 Before Notary H.S.Sakalesh Aradhya Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, BIDHYA BATI, W/o No: JC829262A, SUB/CLK (RETD), JAI BAHADUR YADAV, Permanent R/at BHELA BANDH, BHELA BANDH, MAU, KOPAGANJ, MAU-275305, UTTAR PRADESH, That I have changed my name from BIDHYA BATI to VIDYAWATI YADAV and my Date of Birth is 30.12.1965, vide affidavit dated 26.07.2021, before notary K V MANI, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SHANTHA AMARAPPA CHALAGERI, W/o Late. Amarappa Chalageri, Tariwal Village, Hungund Taluk, Bagalkot District, Karnataka-587125, have Changed My daughter's name from BHAVANA to BASAMMA CHALAGERI & her School records My name is mentioned as SHANTHAMMA AMARAPPA CHALAGERI but Correct name is SHANTHA AMARAPPA CHALAGERI in all future purposes vide affidavit dated 26.07.2021, sworn before notary B.M. Chandrashekar Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, MAHANTHAPPA, S/o Ramappa, aged about 48 years, R/a No. 219, 1st Main Road, 2nd Cross, Near Ganesh Temple, Gowdanapalya, Bangalore-560061, do hereby declare that both the names i.e., MAHANTHESH .R and MAHANTHAPPA are one and the same and belongs to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as MAHANTHAPPA only, vide affidavit dated 22-07-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary C. GANGADHAR at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, RAJENDRAN SUBRAMANIAM, resident of No.11, 1st Floor, 7th Cross, 20th Main, BTM 1st Stage, Bengaluru-560068, Karnataka, that I have changed my son's name from VIRUN to VIRUN RAJENDRAN vide affidavit Dated 26.07.2021 before notary K V MANI, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SHANTHA AMARAPPA CHALAGERI, W/o Late. Amarappa Chalageri, Tariwal Village, Hungund Taluk, Bagalkot District, Karnataka-587125, My son's name CHETANA CHALAGERI & his School records My name is mentioned as SHANTHAMMA AMARAPPA CHALAGERI but Correct name is SHANTHA AMARAPPA CHALAGERI in all future purposes, vide affidavit dated 26.07.2021, sworn before notary B.M. Chandrashekar Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, RAVI KUMAR .K.H, S/o Sri Hanumanthaiah, aged 46 years, R/a No.2, 1st Cross, 1st Main, Kalika Nagar, Andrahalli Main Road, Bangalore-560058, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from THATHAIAH to RAVI KUMAR .K.H, henceforth I shall be known and called as RAVI KUMAR .K.H only, vide affidavit dated 22nd July 2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary K. VENKATA at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) DHRUVA, S/o. Vaman Rao Parvati, residing at Plot No. 14, 18th Main, Maruti Housing Society, Vijayanagar, Bangalore -560040, have changed my name from (OLD NAME) DHRUVA to (NEW NAME) DHRUVA PARVATIKAR vide affidavit Dated 26/07/2021 sworn before Notary M.K.Devaki, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, DINESH SINGH BOHRA, previously called DINESH SINGH, aged 60 years, S/o Late Sri. Sampath Singh Bohra, Residing at "BOHRA HOUSE", # 45, 7th Cross, H.M.T. Layout, R.T. Nagar, Bangalore-560032. Hereby declare that, I have changed my name from 'DINESH SINGH' to "DINESH SINGH BOHRA" vide Affidavit dated 16.07.2021, Sworn before Advocate and Notary Public Sivakumara . M.N, Bangalore.

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Dubai	41	32	SNY	New York	33	22	SNY
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US-China high-level talks bring out list of complaints, sharp differences

The tone, however, appeared somewhat less contentious than during their last meeting

TIANJIN, CHINA

HIGH-LEVEL face-to-face talks between US and Chinese diplomats on Monday highlighted sharp differences between the sides, although the tone appeared somewhat less contentious than at their last meeting.

China issued a long list of demands and complaints, accusing the US of trying to contain and suppress China's development, while America brought up its concerns about human rights and other issues, and urged cooperation on matters including climate change, Iran and North Korea.

Vice-Foreign Minister Xie Feng urged the US "to change its highly misguided mindset and dangerous policy."

Xie blamed the US for a "stalemate" in bilateral relations, saying some Americans portray China as an "imagined enemy," according to an official summary of his remarks during the meeting.

Xie met with US Deputy Secretary of State Wendy Sherman at a closed-off resort hotel in Tianjin, about an hour from Beijing.

Sherman is the highest-ranking US official to visit China since President Joe Biden took office six months ago.

Video grab of US Deputy Secretary of State Wendy Sherman and her delegation meeting Chinese counterpart in Tianjin, China, on Monday | AP

Relations between the countries deteriorated sharply under Biden's predecessor, Donald Trump, and the two sides remain at odds over a host of issues including technology, cybersecurity and human rights.

Xie said China wants to seek common ground while shelving differences, highlighting a divide in the basic approach to their relationship.

The Biden administration has said it will cooperate in areas such as climate but confront China in others such as human rights, describing the relationship as collaborative, competitive and adversarial.

Be responsible: US

Wendy Sherman called on China to look beyond differences and work with the US as a responsible global power. "There are some things that rise above specific differences that are the global responsibility of great powers," she said.

In a telephone interview following the talks, Sherman said, "This is a process where we've taken another step. We came to these conversations not expecting any specific outcomes."

Sherman held separate meetings on Monday with both Xie, who is in charge of US-China relations, and Foreign Minister Wang Yi.

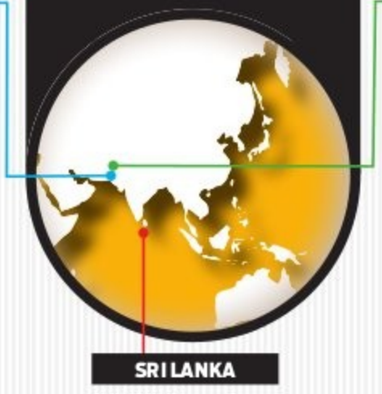
Her visit follows a highly fractious initial meeting in March in Anchorage, Alaska, where Wang and veteran Chinese diplomat Yang Jiechi exchanged angry words with Secretary of State Antony Blinken and national security adviser Jake Sullivan.

State Department spokesperson Ned Price described Sherman's meeting with Wang as a "frank and open discussion about a range of issues, demonstrating the importance of maintaining open lines of communication between our two countries."

Price said Sherman also raised issues of media access and freedom of the press, Beijing's conduct in cyberspace and actions toward Taiwan and in the East and South China Seas.

Sherman discussed cases of American and Canadian citizens detained in China or under exit bans, and reiterated concerns about China's unwillingness to cooperate with the World Health Organization and allow a second-phase investigation inside China into Covid origins, Price said. *AP*

ASIA MATTERS



PAKISTAN

Imran's PTI wins most seats in PoK polls

Islamabad: Prime Minister Imran Khan's party on Monday was poised to form the government in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir for the first time after it won 25 of 45 seats in the legislative assembly elections marred by deadly violence and allegations of irregularities by the Opposition, local media reported. Khan's Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf party (PTI) won 25 seats while Pakistan People's Party (PPP) came second with 11 seats and the incumbent Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz secured just six seats, the state-run Radio Pakistan reported, citing unofficial results announced by the Election Commission. Thus, PTI got a simple majority to form the government without support of any other party. It is for the first time that it will form a government in PoK. *PTI*

SRI LANKA

Child labour laws set to be revised

Colombo: Sri Lanka is set to toughen its child labour laws by raising the minimum age for employment to 18 years to stop exploitation of children, days after the death of a 16-year-old girl who was employed as a domestic help by a politician. The Labour Ministry has also decided to expand the list of jobs considered to be hazardous to children between 16 and 18 years from 52 to 76, Labour Commissioner Prabath Chandrakeerthi said. *PTI*

AFGHANISTAN

46 soldiers cross over to seek refuge in Pak

Islamabad: At least 46 Afghan soldiers crossed over and took refuge in Pakistan's northwestern Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa province after losing control of a border post to the Taliban militants along the international border, according to media reports on Monday. The Pakistan Army said the incident occurred late on Sunday night in Arundu sector in the country's Chitral district when an Afghan National Army (ANA) local Commander requested the Pakistan Army for refuge and safe passage. Ever since the US announced to withdraw its troops, the Taliban has stepped-up its offensive against Afghan forces, forcing hundreds of soldiers and other officials to seek refuge in the neighbouring countries. *PTI*

Tunisia prez sacks defence min amid political turmoil

TUNIS

TUNISIAN President Kais Saied sacked the defence minister on Monday, a day after ousting the prime minister and suspending parliament, plunging the young democracy into constitutional crisis in the midst of a pandemic.

Street clashes erupted on Monday outside the army-barricaded parliament, after Saied dismissed Prime Minister Hichem Mechichi and ordered parliament closed for 30 days, a move the biggest political party Ennahdha decried as a "coup".

Saied declared on Sunday that he had "taken the necessary decisions to save Tunisia, the state and the Tunisian people," following street protests in multiple cities against the government's handling of the Covid pandemic.

The president, who under the constitution controls the armed forces, warned his opponents against taking up arms, threatening that if anyone "fires a single bullet, our forces will respond with a rain of bullets".

On Monday afternoon, a statement from the presidency announced the dismissals of Defence Minister Ibrahim Bartaji and acting justice minister Hasna Ben Slimane, who is also the government spokeswoman.

Soldiers from early Monday blockaded the assembly in Tunis while Saied backers hurled stones, bottles and insults at supporters of the Islamist-inspired Ennahdha, whose leader was barred entry to the complex.

I have taken the necessary decisions to save Tunisia and the Tunisian people... (But) if anyone fires a single bullet, our forces will respond with a rain of bullets

Kais Saied, Tunisian president

Troops also surrounded the office of Mechichi, who was yet to officially react to the events rocking the North African country.

Later in the afternoon, the protests died down.

Saied's dramatic move -- a decade on from Tunisia's 2011 revolution, often held up as the Arab Spring's sole success story – comes even though the constitution enshrines a parliamentary democracy.

It "is a coup d'etat against the revolution and against the constitution," said Ennahdha, the lead party in Tunisia's fractious ruling coalition charged, warning its members "will defend the revolution".

The crisis follows months of deadlock between the president, the premier and Ennahdha chief Rached Ghannouchi, which has crippled the Covid response as deaths have surged to one of the world's highest per capita rates. *AFP*

Duterte renews threats to kill drug dealers

MANILA

PHILIPPINE President Rodrigo Duterte unabashedly renewed his threat to kill drug dealers in his final state of the nation speech on Monday, while defending his nonconfrontational approach in the country's territorial dispute with China in the South China Sea.

Duterte, 76, who won a six-year presidential term in 2016, is winding down his often-tumultuous presidency amid a raging pandemic, a battered economy and a legacy overshadowed by his deadly campaign against illegal drugs that has set off complaints of mass murder before the International Criminal Court.

While many expected him to focus on ways to combat Covid, Duterte instead devoted most of a rambling, nearly three-hour televised speech to non-pandemic topics he has addressed repeatedly in the past.

Duterte reiterated his threat to kill drug dealers, explaining it is tougher to fight criminals "the legal way," while daring the International Criminal Court to record his remarks.

"I would never deny and the ICC can record it: Those who destroy my country, I will kill you. And those who destroy the young people of our country, I will kill you," Duterte said. "I will really bring you down because I love my country."

"You can do it the legal way, but it would take you months and years," Duterte told an audience of legislators and foreign diplomats. *AP*

London cleans up after flash flood drenches homes, subway

LONDON

LONDONERS were cleaning up on Monday after torrential rain left homes, roads and several subway stations flooded, the second unseasonal inundation in as many weeks.

The Met Office weather agency said 41.6 centimeters (16 inches) of rain fell in central London on Sunday afternoon.

Monday was drier, but the Environment Agency said four flood warnings remained in place for southeast England. Two London hospitals asked patients not to come to the emergency department because of disruption from the floods.

Transport for London said eight stations were closed because of flooding, including Pudding Mill Lane, an above-ground station where video footage showed water surging through a concourse and up stairs. Residents used buckets, brooms and wooden boards to create makeshift flood defenses for their homes as storm drains were overloaded in parts of the city. "Having been born and raised in London, I have never seen anything quite like it," said south London resident Eddie Elliott. "It stands out as the worst I've experienced personally ... totally shut down the whole road with buses stood broken down in the water." *AP*

People posing for a photo along an empty bund in Shanghai, as most people stay indoors due to wind and rain brought in by Typhoon In-Fa | AFP

Typhoon In-Fa brings Shanghai to standstill

Beijing: A typhoon blew heavy rain across the Shanghai region on Monday, filling roads and low-lying areas with water and felling billboards and signs on its second landfall in eastern China. Flights and trains were canceled and many offices were closed. Kindergartens, parks and the famous riverfront Bund also closed. Nearly 500,00 people have moved to shelters, and others have been told not to leave home unless absolutely necessary. Local authorities said the winds have felled some 30,000 trees, 268 billboards and shop signs. Power cuts affected 1,10,000 users, with 12,700 households still without electricity. Subway services in Shanghai were partially suspended to guard against possible flooding. In-Fa made its first landfall Sunday in Zhejiang province just south of Shanghai, then moved north across Hangzhou Bay before hitting land again on Shanghai's southern edge. In Zhejiang, more than 1.5 million people have been transferred to safety. The provincial government warned of possible mountain torrents in 23 districts and counties. *AP*

Migrant workers and their families rest in an exhibition hall after being evacuated from their workplaces in Hangzhou | AP

A man wades through a flooded grove in Yuyao near the city of Ningbo in eastern China on Monday | AFP

Russia PM visits Pacific islands claimed by Japan

MOSCOW

RUSSIA'S prime minister on Monday visited Pacific islands claimed by Japan, a move that brought a protest from Tokyo, and said the government is considering setting up a special economic zone there.

Prime Minister **Mikhail Mishustin** is touring Russia's Far East and Siberia this week, and the Kuril Islands were his first stop on Monday.

Mishustin visited a hospital and a fish plant on Iturup, one of the four southernmost Kuril islands. He told plant workers that the Russian government is considering creating a special economic zone on the islands, in which business and investors would be free of most taxes and customs duties. The measure Russian officials is currently pondering "could be a good solution for investors, including the ones in the West, for Japan also, which, if interested, can create jobs here," Mishustin said. He added that "this special regime will allow the intensification of economic activity" on the islands.

Mishustin said he would discuss the project with Russian President Vladimir Putin.

On Friday, Putin asked the prime minister to "pay special attention" to the Kuril Islands during his trip to the Far East, noting that Moscow had been working with "Japanese partners...to create the necessary conditions for those involved in economic activity." *AP*

EXPRESS READ

Lebanon picks billionaire as next PM-designate

Beirut: Lebanese lawmakers on Monday tasked ex-premier and billionaire Najib Mikati with forming a government and ending one year of political deadlock that has crippled the economy. Mikati, seen by many as a symbol of Lebanon's corrupt oligarchy, will pick up where Saad Hariri left off earlier this month. A new government would face the daunting task of steering Lebanon through one of the worst phases in its history, and to polls slated for next year amid unprecedented popular distrust. *AFP*

WORLD HUNGER WORSENED BY CLIMATE CHANGE, CONFLICT: UN

ROME

UN SECRETARY-General Antonio Guterres on Monday warned that climate change and conflict are both a consequence and a driver of poverty, income inequality and food prices. Guterres also told a meeting in Rome that the world's food system generates a third of all greenhouse gas emissions. That same system is responsible for as much as 80% of biodiversity loss, he lamented in a video message.

The gathering was called to help prepare for a UN food systems summit to be held in September in New York.

Earlier this month, a UN report noted that up to 161 million more people faced hunger last year compared to 2019, with much of that widened suffering likely linked to the Covid pandemic.

"Poverty, income inequality and the high cost of food continue to keep healthy diets out of the reach of some 3 billion people," Guterres said.

"Climate change and conflict are both consequences and drivers of this catastrophe."

The International Fund for Agricultural Development called on decision-makers 'to address the failures in food systems" that leave hundreds of millions of people poor and hungry. IFAD is a UN agency which aims to help small-scale farming.

In 2020, as many as 811 million people faced hunger. *AP*

New Zealand to accept alleged Islamic State militant, 2 kids

WELLINGTON

NEW Zealand on Monday agreed to repatriate an alleged Islamic State militant and her two young children, who have been detained in Turkey since February.

The decision follows a bitter dispute with Australia over which country needed to shoulder responsibility for the woman, who had been a dual citizen of both countries until Australia stripped her citizenship under its anti-terrorism laws. The woman and her children were arrested when they tried to illegally cross from Syria into Turkey, according to Turkey's Defense Ministry.

Turkey identified her only by her initials, S A, while New Zealand media say she is Suhayra Aden, who was 26 at the time of her arrest.

Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern said New Zealand had taken into account its international responsibilities and could not remove citizenship from anybody if it left them stateless.

S A, the alleged IS operative | AP FILE

"I made very strong representations to Australia that she should be permitted to return there. Her family moved to Australia when she was 6 and she grew up there before departing for Syria in 2014 on an Australian passport," Ardern said in a statement.

"Unfortunately, Australia would not reverse the cancellation of citizenship."

Ardern said the safety and wellbeing of New Zealanders was the government's paramount concern. She said there had been extensive planning with the police and other agencies.

"I can assure people great care is being taken as to how the woman and her young children are returned to New Zealand and how they will be managed in a way that minimizes any risk for New Zealanders," Ardern said. *AP*

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
123.53 ▼	Sensex	52,852.27	₹24.6 ▲	24 carat (1 gm)	₹4,794.9	₹516 ▲	Per kg	₹67,555	▲ Dollar		74.42
31.60 ▼	Nifty	15,824.45	₹24.5 ▲	22 carat (1 gm)	₹4,775.7	₹0.516 ▲	Per gm	₹67.555	▲ Euro		87.77

No plan to print currency notes: FM

Says, fundamentals of the economy strong, relief measures are enough to support revival

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PTI

FINANCE Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Monday said that the economy is on the path of recovery and ruled out any plan to print additional currency notes to tide over economic crisis, as suggested by some economists.

"No sir," the FM said, in a response to a question on whether there is any plan to print currency to tide over the crisis.

"The fundamentals of the economy remain strong as gradual scaling back of lockdowns, along with the astute support of Atmanirbhar Bharat Mission has placed the economy firmly on the path of recovery from the second half of FY 2020-21," she said.

Citing examples she added that the government had announced a special economic and comprehensive package of ₹29.87 lakh crore under AtmaNirbhar Bharat (ANB) to combat the impact of the pandemic, to revive economic growth and to bolster employment during 2020-21.

Replying to another question, Sitharaman said, the impact of the second Covid-19 wave is expected to be muted given localised containment measures and rapid upscaling of the vaccination drive.

Earlier this month economist Pinaki Chakraborty had said the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) should not print money to finance the fiscal deficit as it shall lead to fiscal profligacy.

"I don't think the RBI should ever do that. We stopped it in 1996 through a memorandum of understanding (MoU) between the RBI and the government. We should not go back to it again," Chakraborty, who is director of the National Institute of Public Finance and Policy (NIPFP), said.

Meanwhile economists like Abhijit Banerjee, had suggested the government to resort to printing more currency notes to support the economy to help poor and to protect livelihood.

"I think we should absolutely do it. We need resources to support the poor as well as to deal with a bunch of potential defaults on loans -- the latter was avoided in the first wave by some government credit guarantees. Plus we need the resources to buy enough vaccines. This is the ideal moment to do that. And my guess is that the government is unnecessarily scared by the bond market's possible reaction," Banerjee said in May in one of his media interactions.

One-stop portal to streamline drive for asset monetisation

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THE centre has prepared a common portal for asset monetisation drive, which will provide one stop solution to investors and will give common platform to all ministries.

Niti Aayog has already finalised the national monetisation pipeline (NMP) on the lines of National Infrastructure Pipeline (NIP) which seeks to invite private sector participation in the infrastructure sector.

The monetisation pipeline has been created for a four-year period from financial year 2021-22 to 2024-25, in line with Finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman's announcement in this year's Budget in February.

In March, central ministries were given a target of ₹2.5 lakh crore for monetising their assets over three years and Niti Aayog was tasked to prepare a list of all the possible assets, which can be monetised.

Last month Sitharaman announced formulation of new streamlined approval process for PPP projects and monetisation of core infra assets, which will help fast-track asset monetisation by CPSEs.

Announcing a set of economic relief measures, she said the current process was long and required multiple approvals for public private partnership (PPP) projects and this will fastrack the approval process, which generally take months.

So far, 10 infrastructure ministries have submitted a fresh list of their core infrastructure assets.

Why the most-valued start-up Byju's hungry for acquisitions?

BISMAH MALIK @ Bengaluru

BYJU'S, a 10-year-old start-up and India's most valued firm ($16.5 billion) has spent close to $3 billion in acquiring smaller companies over the last two years. Of the 12 acquisitions the Bengaluru-based firm has made so far, 7 came in during the last six months worth over $2 billion. On Monday, the edtech firm announced acquisition of Singapore-headquartered upskilling platform Great Learning for$ 600 million in a stock-cash mix deal.

It has also earmarked another $400 million for building the capabilities of Great Learning, which the company said, marks Byjus' strong push into the professional upskilling and life-long learning space globally with a total commitment of $1 billion, expanding its offerings beyond the K12 and test prep segments, and further accelerating the company's growth plans.

Byju's also acquired professional test preparation start-up Toppr for $150 million in equity-cash deal to take on the closer rival, Unacademy, which is backed by SoftBank and other big investors. Last week, Byju Raveendran-led firm acquired US-based online learning firm Epic for $500 million. The other major acquisitions since the onset of the pandemic have been $300-million buyout of a coding firm, Whiteht jr, and $1-billion takeover of coaching centre network Aakash Educational Institutions.

Raveendran, who still has more than 25% stake in the company despite adding 30 investors since the company's inception in 2011, recently said that in addition to acquisitions and marketing spends the company has $1 billion in cash. There is clearly no dearth of interest from investors' end with some big names like Blackstone, UBS Group, Facebook co-founder, Eduardo Saverin's B, Zoom founder & CEO Eric Yuan and US PE giant Silver Lake on the list.

Byju's founder and CEO has said that recent $450 million raised by the company in an ongoing Series F funding round, will be spent towards more acquisitions as well as overseas expansions. Notably, the company which claims to have 80 million users on the platform, has eyed some of its acquisitions to grow user base in markets like US where coding, upskilling and learning K-12 online has gathered momentum since the pandemic onset." It is not only domestic players, Byju's is clearly focused on becoming a global edtech giant and Covid has also proven to be a shot in its arm," said an investor tracking the company. The acquisitions are also aimed at achieving the profitability and annual revenue run rate. The company had reported ₹1,306 operating revenue for FY20.

ON ACQUISITION SPREE

Company Name	Price	Year
Great Learning	$600 mn	2021
Toppr	$150 mn	2021
Epic	$500 mn	2021
Gradeup	Not disclosed	2021
HashLearn	Not disclosed	2021
Scholr	$180 mn	2021
Aakash Educational Institutions	$1 mn	2021
Labin App	Not disclosed	2020
WhiteHt Jr	$300 mn	2020
Osmo	$120 mn	2019
Math Adventure	Not disclsoed	2018
Tutor Vista/ Edurite	Not disclsoed	2017

Govt detects ₹20,078 cr unaccounted money in Panama Papers leak case

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THE government has detected undisclosed income of approximately ₹20,078 crore in the Panama Papers leak case, ₹11,010 crore in the International Consortium of Investigative Journalists (ICIJ) cases, and ₹246 crore in Paradise Papers leak cases, it informed Parliament on Monday.

In a reply to Lok Sabha, Pankaj Chaudhary, Minister of State for Finance, said that the government has raised tax demand of ₹8,216 crore as on May 31, 2021 in 166 cases under the Black Money Act, 2015.

He further informed the lower house of the Parliament that more than 107 prosecution complaints have been filed under the Black Money Act so far.

Giving details of the steps taken by the government to bring back black money from outside the country, the minister said that the government had enacted in 2015 the Black Money Act, which specifically deals with the issue of black money stashed abroad. He also informed that the government has been engaging with the foreign governments to facilitate and enhance the exchange of information, has entered into information sharing agreement with the USA under the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act and set up the Special Investigation Team (SIT) on Black Money under chairmanship and vice-chairmanship of two former judges of the Supreme Court.

The minister said that So far, over 260 conviction orders have been passed since 2016-17 against individuals found indulging in tax evasion. He also said that there is no official estimate of the black money stashed in the Swiss Bank for the past 10 years.

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Tata Motors reports ₹4,451-cr loss in Q1 as chip shortage hits JLR

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DISRUPTION at Jaguar Land Rover (JLR) continues to drag Tata Motors. The country's largest vehicle manufacturer by revenue on Monday reported consolidated net loss of ₹4,451 crore for the quarter ending June 30 (Q1) FY22, as production operations at JLR, Tata's British subsidiary, took a big hit due to a global shortage in supply of semiconductors.

While the company's net loss fell around half from ₹8,443.98 crore (loss) it had reported in the pandemic struck quarter a year back (Q1FY21), it was way higher than what the street had estimated. Analysts as well as brokerage houses were estimating Tata Motors to report ₹1,500-2,000 crore negative PAT during Q1FY22.

JLR's wholesales during the quarter were 30,000 units lower than planned due to the semiconductor issue even as JLR retail sales were at 124,537 vehicles, up 68.1% year-on-year.

The production constraint resulted in a pre-tax loss of £110 million with an EBIT (earning before interest and tax) margin of 0.9% and a free cash outflow of £996 million. The cash outflow is after £571m of investment spending and unfavourable working capital of £800 million related to the lower production, the company informed.

Earlier in the month, JLR had reported that global shortage in semi-conductor chips will lead to a 50% decline in production during the September quarter. This announcement had a drastic impact on Tata Motors's share prices which have fallen around 20% since then with no signs of recovery. JLR now expects semiconductor supply shortages in the second quarter ended September 30, 2021 to be greater than in the first quarter. In the second quarter, it expects a negative EBIT margin with a free cash outflow of less than £1 billion.

Thierry Bolloré, Jaguar Land Rover Chief Executive Officer, said, "Though the current environment continues to remain challenging, we will continue to adapt and manage elements that are within our control and ensure that Jaguar Land Rover is well-placed to respond to any further market developments."

The Indian operations remained strong during the quarter despite the second Covid-19 wave. Sales in the quarter rose 343% y-o-y to ₹11,904 crore.

Looking beyond the short-term challenges, we see significant opportunities to leverage the mega trends shaping the Indian automotive industry —Girish Wagh, Executive Director at Tata Motors

INDIAN BANKS WIN

Vijay Mallya bankrupt for Indian banks: UK High Court

PTI @ New Delhi

A British court on Monday granted a bankruptcy order against Vijay Mallya, paving the way for a consortium of Indian banks led by the State Bank of India (SBI) to pursue a worldwide freezing order to seek repayment of debt owed by the now-defunct Kingfisher Airlines.

"As at 15.42 (UK time), I adjudicate Dr Mallya bankrupt," Chief Insolvencies and Companies Court (ICC) Judge Michael Briggs said in his ruling during a virtual hearing of the Chancery Division of the High Court here.

The Indian banks, represented by the law firm TLT LLP and barrister Marcia Shekerdemian, had argued for the bankruptcy order to be granted in favour of the Indian banks.

Clear pending dues to MSMEs, PSUs told

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FINANCE Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Monday said the Centre is deeply concerned about the delay in payments to MSMEs and steps have been taken to ensure that all dues are paid within 45 days.

Responding to a question in the Lok Sabha on government dues to the MSME sector, Sitharaman said she is "personally monitoring it".

"I have reviewed it from the point of view of central government and various departments which owe money to the MSMEs. We have made sure that standard, as per rule 45 days, be not crossed and all dues be paid from the government side to the MSMEs," Sitharaman said.

The FM clarified that the pendency is also on the part of state governments and state PSUs. Sitharaman also said the Centre is actively encouraging MSMEs to use the Trade Receivables Discounting System (TReDS) platform from which "these payments can be discounted".

In January, Union minister Nitin Gadkari had said delayed payments to the MSME sector was becoming a huge problem and the Centre was planning a new law to make it mandatory that MSME receivables are paid within 45 days.

On Monday, the FM also introduced a Bill in the Lok Sabha to provide a pre-packaged resolution process for financially stressed MSMEs. The law allows for a prior bankruptcy-resolution agreement between a creditor, such as a bank, and an investor without initial approval from the National Company Law Tribunal.

After Airtel, Vi tweaks tariffs for enterprise

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VODAFONE Idea on Monday followed rival Bharti Airtel in tweaking its mobile service postpaid plans for its enterprise customers. The new Business Plus postpaid plan begins with tariffs for corporate users starting from ₹299 per month to ₹499 per month. It has, however, kept its earlier ₹799 plan and introduced a new ₹349 plan.

Its rival Airtel last week had discontinued postpaid plans in the ₹199 and ₹249 range for enterprise customers and increased tariffs for the segment. Vodafone Idea's new plans come with bundled services such as mobile security, location tracking solutions, subscription to Vi Movies & TV and Disney+ Hotstar VIP for one year, as well as Vi Caller Tunes subscription, and Vi Business-Mobility platform and Vi App for easy manageability of account and plan. But the company has also reduced data benefits, preserving the industry trend of raising tariffs.

Analysts have been observing that the telecom sector requires tariff hikes to better its financial health for a while now.

EXPRESS READ

Customs duty on masoor dal cut to 10%

New Delhi: In a move to bring down the retail prices of masoor dal, (red lentils), the government has reduced the customs duty on masoor dal from 30% to 10%. The basic customs duty on masoor dal has been reduced from 10% to 'nil' and agriculture infrastructure development cess has been reduced from 20% to 10%. Masoor dal prices averages around `90 a kg. The new customs duty comes into effect from July 27.

RESULT CORNER

MASTERCARD BAN TO HIT CARD BIZ: AXIS BANK

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@ New Delhi

PRIVATE sector lender Axis Bank expects the ban on Mastercard to affect new credit card issuance by close to 20% each month, assuming the situation normalises by September 15.

According to Sumit Bali, president and head- retail lending and payments, the recent curbs imposed by the central bank on the global card network will largely hit its co-branded card with Flipkart.

Launched in July 2019, there are about 1.2 million such co-branded credit cards, where Mastercard is the sole card network. "We are in engagement with Flipkart and Mastercard. We're expecting the situation to normalise by September 15," he said, adding that the bank is expected to come back to normalcy even if Mastercard is not operational. Currently, the lender is in the process of onboarding other card networks to issue more cards.

On Monday, Axis bank reported a 94% increase in June quarter net profit to ₹2,160 crore on the back of higher other income and lower provisions.

The lender's other income rose 39% to ₹3,588 crore, while provisions were down 20% to ₹3,532 crore year-on-year. Net interest income, or core income, increased 11% over the year earlier to ₹7,760 crore, against an estimated ₹7,788 crore. Fee income stood at ₹2,668 crore, up 62% year-on-year.

Asset quality deteriorated sequentially as gross non-performing assets (NPAs) as a percentage of total advances stood at 3.85% as on June 30 compared with 3.7% as of March.

Kotak Mahindra Bank Q1 profit up 32%

New Delhi: Kotak Mahindra Bank reported a 31.9% jump in its standalone net profit for the quarter ended June 30, 2021 at `1,641.92 crore owing to higher other income. Other income doubled to `1,583 crore at the end of June quarter compared to `773 crore a year ago. As expected, the bank's asset quality worsened, with gross non-performing asset ratio at 3.56% compared with 3.25% as of March. The bank added `1,500 crore of fresh bad loans in the quarter, largely contributed by agriculture and commercial vehicle loans.

DLF Q1 profit at ₹337 crore

New Delhi: DLF, the country's largest real estate developer by market capitalisation, reported a net profit of `337.17 crore during first quarter ended June (Q1FY22) due to robust demand for its residential houses. DLF's revenue during the quarter stood at `1,243 crore, up 92% a Y-o-Y. DLF had reported loss of `71.52 crore during Q1 of FY2021, due to the pandemic induced lockdown.

L&T profit grows 4 times y-o-y

New Delhi: Engineering and construction giant Larsen & Toubro (L&T) on Monday posted near 4x jump in consolidated net profit to `1,174 crore in Q1FY22. The company had reported `303 crore net profit in the year-ago period due to first wave of Covid-19 infection. The second wave of Covid-19 also had a big impact on the company's operations as its PAT decreased 50.4% quarter-on-quarter. In Q4FY21, L&T had reported net profit of `3,293 crore.

Business & Beyond

MGM Group's Wild Lotus opens garment unit

Wild Lotus Fashions Pvt Ltd., a part of MGM Group Odisha, has set up a readymade garment manufacturing unit at Chatabara Industrial Area, Khurda. A hundred percent export compliant unit was inaugurated by Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik on July 23, 2021. Spread over 3 acres of land with an investment of `70 cr, the unit on being fully operational will give employment to 1,800 workers out of which 1,600 will be female workers.

Bank of Baroda felicitates Covid warriors

Bank of Baroda celebrated its 114th Foundation Day on July 20, 2021 by felicitating Covid warriors across all the 18 zones of the bank pan-India. BoB also announced the soon-to-be-launched 'bob World', its digital banking platform.

Rtn. J. Sridhar, District Governor, Rotary

Rtn. J Sridhar is a member of the Rotary Club of Madras Industrial City, Chennai under the classification of "Automobile Parts Manufacturing". Sridhar holds a degree in mechanical engineering and post graduate degree in management.

Lost and Found

I, **C.S Kumar** S/o **M.J Jagannathan** R/at: #233, Pillanna garden 3rd stage, 7th cross, 7th Main Road, Bengaluru -560084. Mob No. 9732841331.I submit that I have Original **Document No: 2331/1993, Sy No.788/1, 798, formed in Site No: 3040, 3041,3050, 3051, situated at :Poonapalli village, Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri Dist** the above said Documents was in my custody but it was lost on: 10-05-2021, at While travelling Willsan garden to Malleshwaram Bengaluru. I lodge the complainant the concerned Malleswaram Police Station.**Reference No: 2228/2021, PO No: 13392929960293.** Notary advocate **Muniswamy**

PUBLIC NOTICE

The public is hereby informed that B.N. Nagaraj, N. Shobhavathi and N. Satish, Sons and daughter of Late M. Narayanaswamy, and Late Narasamma @ Narasammal, residing at No. 15/2, Hosahalli Main Road, Padharayanapura, Bengaluru-560 036, will file case at 16th ACMM, Bengaluru for getting death certificate of their mother Narasamma @ Narasannal, who died on 11-01-2011, persons who have interested to file objection may file the same within 15 days in the court as stated above.

Krishnappa G, Advocate
No. 14, 2nd Floor, Gante S Gopal Building, 13th Cross, Opp. Kandaya Bhavan, Cubbonpete, Bengaluru-560 002.

ANDHRA PRADESH STATE LOAD DESPATCH CENTER (SLDC)
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EMPLOYMENT NOTIFICATION

Notification No.Chief Engineer (APSLDC)/SE (G.O)/EE (PP&MO)/ DEE-PP/D.No.356/21, Dt: 27.07.2021

Applications are invited from eligible candidates on or before dt.**16.08.2021** for the post of Assistant Corporate Lawyer on contract basis, in APSLDC, a company wholly owned by the Government of Andhra Pradesh. Complete details may be viewed at APTRANSCO website **https://www.aptransco.co.in.** Placed : Vijayawada, dt:**27.07.2021.**

Sd/- Chairman & Managing Director, APTRANSCO

DIPR No.289PP/CL/ADVT/1/1/2021-22, Dt.26/07/2021

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that, my clients (1). Smt. Umashree .C, (2). Smt. Bhagyashree.C, (3). Sri. Santhoshkumar .C, (4). Smt. Nagamani.C, No.1 to 4 are the children of Chinnappa & Mariyamma, (5). Murthy .P, (6). Sri. Shankara .P, (7). Smt. Nirmala.P, (8). Smt. Mangaladevi .P, No.5 to 8 are the children of Puttappa & Gowramma, (9). Sri. Srinivasa.R, (10). Smt. Pushpa .R, No.9 & 10 are the children of Ramakrishnappa & Jayamma, (11). Smt. Sharadamma, (12). Smt. Rathnamma, No. 11 & 12 are the daughters of Muniyappa & Muniyamma, have executed a General Power of Attorney dated: 22/5/2018 in favour Sri. B.N. Kumar, Advocate, No.261/C, "Law Expressions", 5th 'B' Cross, H.A.L. III Stage, Bengaluru-560075, in respect of property described in the schedule below, to do certain acts on their behalf. This is further inform the General Public that, my clients have duly cancelled the said GPA dated: 22/5/2018, under a legal notice dated: 26/7/2021, and hence my clients said attorney holder has no any right or authority to act upon the said GPA in respect of schedule property. Any persons dealing with the said B.N. Kumar, in respect of schedule property, will be doing so at their own risk and my clients are not responsible for any acts purported to have been done with respective schedule property acting on the said GPA dated :22/5/2018.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of land bearing Sy.No.239, measuring 5 acres 17 guntas, l including 19 guntas kharab, situated at Kengeri Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk.

M. AMBARISH, Advocate
No.14, 15, Sathyappa Plaza, Chamber 4, 3rd Floor, Avenue Road, Bengaluru-560053. Mobile: 9141127917

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Mr. V. RAMESH,** S/o. Late. Venkatesh, Residing at 'Siroya Sunshine', No. A/701, KHB Main Manorayanapalya, R.T. Nagar Post, Bangalore- 560032, have lost the GPA executed by Mr. C.P. Prakash infavour of his brother Mr.C.P. Bharathan, for alienating the property bearing Corporation No. 2, Western portion of Corporation No. 2A, (presently new municipal No.2/5, PID No.95-1-2/5) Sulthanpalya, Matadahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, old Corporation Division No. 46A, Bangalore, measuring East to West : 60 feet and North to South: 90 feet, totally 5400 Sq.ft, and bounded on East by: Private Property bearing Site No.05, West by: Private Property, North by: Private Property bearing Site No.03, Road and Portion of Site No.02-A, South by: Road, if any person finds the same may deliver to the undersigned within seven days from the date of this publication.

K. Ajayakumar, Advocate,
AJAY & ASSOCIATES,
18, 1st Floor, Thimmaiah Garden, Devegowda Road, R .T. Nagar Post, Bangalore- 560 032. Ph. (O) 23335132 and 8048506640, Mob.9880140512.

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No. DPS 15 CST (G) 2021-22 **Dt. 22.07.2021**

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION
(under e-procurement)

Online tenders are invited in two bid system from qualified printers/binders/envelop making firms located within Bengaluru (BBMP Limits) for execution of punching and pasting works of about 16 lakh envelop covers of different kinds related to Karnataka State Zilla & Taluk Panchayat General Elections. Estimated total value of the tender is about Rs. 11.81 lakhs & payment EMD has been exempted. The Last date for submission of tenders online is before 11.08.2021. The detailed tender document may be downloaded from website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** For any further clarifications the above office may be contacted.

Sd/- Director

DIPR/DDU/932/AKAR/2021-22

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Indian Overseas Bank

Information Technology Department
Central Office: 763, Anna Salai, Chennai-600002

Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) invites bids for the following: RFP Reference Number: RFP/ITD/008/21-22 DATED 23.07.2021

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF SELF SERVING PASSBOOK PRINTING KIOSKS ACROSS VARIOUS BRANCHES OF THE BANK

The RFP document for the above tender is available in bank's e-tendering website https://iobtenders.auctiontiger.net & www.iob.in. For RFP details and future amendments, if any, keep referring to the above websites.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the General Public that the company proposes to make application to the Central Government under section 13 of the Companies Act, 2013 seeking confirmation of alteration of the Memorandum of Association of the Company in terms of the special resolution passed at the Annual General Meeting/ Extra ordinary general meeting held on 03.06.2020 to enable the company to change its Registered Office from "State of Karnataka" to "State of Kerala". Any person whose interest is likely to be affected by the proposed change of the registered office of the company may deliver **either on the MCA-21 portal (www.mca.gov.in) by filing investor complaint form** or cause to be delivered or send by registered post of his/her objections supported by an affidavit stating the nature of his/her interest and grounds of opposition to the Regional Director at the address 5th Floor, Shastri Bhawan, 26, Haddows Road, Chennai- 600006 within fourteen days of the date of publication of this notice with a copy of the applicant company at its registered office at the address mentioned below:

Room No: 104, Site No: A-20, D Devaraja Urs Truck terminal, Industrial Suburb, Yeshwanthpur, Bangalore -560022, Karnataka. Petitioner. For and on behalf of the Midsun Pharmaceuticals Private Ltd. Room No: 104, Site No: A-20, D. Devaraja Urs Truck Terminal, Industrial Suburb, Yeshwanthpur Bangalore 560022, Karnataka.

Dt.: 22.07.2021
Pace Bangalore

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

CIN : U85110KA1970SGC001919
(RAICHUR THERMAL POWER STATION)

No.KPCL/2021-22/EL/WORK_INDENT11256/Call-2 Date : 24.07.2021

Notice Inviting Tender
(Two Cover System) (Through e-Procurement Portal Only)

Tender is invited through e-Procurement portal from agencies for the work of **Supply and Installation of 12 No's of Water Coolers, along with all concerned installation and commissioning accessories at KPCL Hospital, CISF Security & Fire Wing Mess, Unit-4 switchgear, CW Pump House-2, CISF Pass Section and HRD Canteen.** From reputed firms / organizations / contractors. Date of Receipt of Tenders: **02.08.2021 up to 16:00 Hrs.** For more details please visit website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** All relevant details of the bids are available in the above mentioned e-portal. Further details can be had from the **Office of the Executive Engineer (LT)-1, KPCL, RTPS, Shaktinagar-584170, Raichur District. Contact Mobile No. 9449596537.**

UNION BANK OF INDIA

(A Government of India Undertaking)
Vidyapeetha Circle Branch,
No.1/21/73, 11th Cross, Ashoknagar, Katriguppe Main Road,Vidyapeetha Circle, Bangalore-560050.
Ph: 080-22959701/22959702, E-mail : bm1170@unionbankofindia.com

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule - 8 (1)] (For immovable Property)

Whereas...The undersigned being the authorized officer of the **Union Bank of India (Erstwhile Andhra Bank) Vidyapeetha Circle Branch,** Bangalore (name of the institution) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **07.04.2021** calling upon the **Borrowers /Mortgagors/Guarantors- (1) Mr.Shashikant Karsanbhai Patel** S/o Karsanbhai Patel, **(2) Mrs. Chandrika Shashikant Patel** W/o Mr.Shashikant Karsanbhai Patel S/o Karsanbhai Patel both are residing at Flat No.410, Fourth Floor, Sri Sai Paradise, No.179/2, Kothanur Gottigere Main Road, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore-560062. o repay the dues mentioned in the notice being of **Rs.48,28,411.84** (Rupees Forty Eight Lakh Twenty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Eleven and Paise Eighty Four Only) as on **31.03.2021** within 60days from the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Act rule 2002, on this the **26.07.2021.**

The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India (Erstwhile Andhra Bank) Vidyapeetha Circle Branch** Bangalore for an amount of **Rs.48,28,411.84** (Rupees Forty Eight Lakh Twenty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Eleven and Paise Eighty Four Only) as on **31.03.2021** and interest/cost/expenses thereon.

The Borrower's and Guarantor's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

All that piece and parcel of residential Flat Bearing No.410, in the Fourth Floor, in the Apartment known as SRI SAI PARADISE, having Super Built up area of 1425 Sq.feet and 800 Square feet of exclusive terrace area in the fourth floor, constructed on BBMP Municipal No.02, Survey No.179/2, Duly converted for residential purpose by special deputy commissioner, Bangalore District vide conversion Order No.BDS: A.L.N. (S.U) SR: 97/2007-2008 dated 28.10.2008, Situated at Kothanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore within the limits of BBMP Bangalore, having 513 Square Feet of undivided share and bounded as follows: East by: Terrace Area, West by: Open Space, North by: Open Space, South by: Flat No.409.

Date: 26.07.2021 **Authorised Officer**
Place: Bengaluru **Union Bank of India**

IN THE COURT OF THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE AT BENGALURU
Cr. Mis. 341/2021

BETWEEN : 1. **RAMAMURTHY S** S/o S. Siddalingappa, Aged about 63 years, No.536, Near Chikkabanavara Railway Station, Vinayakanagar, Chikkabanavara, Bengaluru 560090. 2. **SUSHEELA S** D/o S Siddalingappa, W/o R Srinivas, Aged about 59 years, No.45, RR College Main Road, Near Chikkabanavara Railway Station, Vinayakanagar, Chikkabanavara, Bengaluru 560090. 3. **SAVITHRI S** D/o S Siddalingappa, W/o Lakshminarasimhaiah, Aged about 47 years, Near Pump House, Vinayakanagar, Chikkabanavara Railway Station, Vinayakanagar, Chikkabanavara, Bengaluru 560090. 4. **CHANDRASHEKAR S** S/o S Siddalingappa, Aged about 48 years, No.10, Gokula Nivasa, Near Chikkabanavara Railway Station, Vinayakanagar, Chikkabanavara, Bengaluru 560 090. 5. **RADHAKRISHNA S** S/o S Siddalingappa, Aged about 46 years, No.164, Shankaranagar Main Road, Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru 560096. 6. **GOPALA KRISHNA S** S/o S Siddalingappa, Aged about 44 years, No.164, 1st Floor, 1st Main Road, Shankaranagar, Nandinilayout, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru 560096. 7. **JAYARAM S** S/o S Siddalingappa, Aged about 46 years, No.164/3, 1st Main Road, Shankaranagar, Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru 560096. 8. **SRIRAM S** S/o S Siddalingappa, Aged about 42 years, No.14, Near Chikkabanavara Railway Station, Vinayakanagar, Chikkabanavara, Bengaluru 560090. ..**Petitioners**

AND : 1. **THE TAHSILDAR,** Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru. 2. **THE B.B.M.P,** The Office of the Birth and Death, T. Dasarahalli Region BBMP Office, Bengaluru 560057. 3. **THE COMMISSIONER,** Bruhath Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike, Corporation Office, N R Square, J C Road, Bengaluru 560002. ...**Respondent**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, the Petitioner has filed petition for obtaining an order seeking direction to above said respondent authority to enter the Death of mother of all petitioners who was by name **Smt. Jayamma W/o S Siddalingappa, who was died on 15.12.2019 at No.536, Near Chikkabanavara Railway Station, Vinayakanagar, Chikkabanavara, Bengaluru 560090** and accordingly obtain death certificate from the respondent. If any person interested to file their objection in this matter, may appear at **11.00 AM on 01.09.2021** to which date case is posted for hearing, before the Hon'ble CJM within 7 days from the date of issuance of this notice.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court this 23rd day of July 2021.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT, Sheristedar, Court of the CJM, Bengaluru

Advocate for Petitioners:
VISWESWARAIAH L, Advocate, No.28/A, "Pushkara Nilaya", 1st Cross, Near Chikkabanavara Railway Station, Beside Mahaveera Desire Apartment, Vinayakanagara, Chikkabanavara, Bengaluru 560090.

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b-03 **INVITATIONS FOR BIDS (IFB) [e-Procurement]**

BID IDENTIFICATION NO. 02 /SE NH, South of 2021-22 No. 2029 / Dated: 16.07.2021

1) The Chief Construction Engineer, Southern N.H. Circle, Berhampur on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites percentage rate bid in double cover system in **ONLINE MODE** from eligible contractors for construction of Road works as detailed in the table below.
2) Nature of work : Road
3) No. of work : 2 Nos.
4) Tender Cost : Rs.10,000/-
5) Class of Contractor : "A" Class & "B" Class
6) Availability of Bid document in the : From 27.07.2021 10.00 AM to 09.08.2021 5.00 PM Website
7) Date of Opening of Bid : 10.08.2021 at 11.00 A.M.
8) The Bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website **https://tendersorissa.gov.in.**
9) Any Corrigendum/Addendum/Cancellation of will be displayed in the e-tender website only.

Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer
Southern NH circle, Berhampur **OIPR-34148/11/0001/2122**

Government of India
Department of Atomic Energy
Bhabha Atomic Research Centre
SMFC Division

Post Bag no. 1. Yelwal, Mysore 571 130 / Telephone : **0821-2406731/6644** / Fax : **0821-240 3064**

CORRIGENDUM-1

Ref: BARC/SMF/CS/02/2020-21 **Date: 23.07.2021**
Name of the work : **Cosmetic Maintenance work at BARC-SMF Project Challakere,Chitradurga, Karnataka.**
Tender No : BARC/SMF/CS/02/2020-21, Dt:09/07/2021

With reference to the above tender,Dates for Request for **purchase/ Download** of Tender Document is postponed,all bidders are requested tonote the following changes in NIT and tender documents.

Description	Mentioned in the NIT	To be read as
Dates for Request for purchase/ Download of Tender Document (excel / word formats)	From **14/07/2021 (11:00 Hrs.)** to **28/07/2021 (15:00 Hrs.)** on website **www.tenderwizard.com/DAE** Detailed NIT and corrigendum is also available on website **www.barc.gov.in** for view only.	From **14/07/2021 to 13/08/2021 (15:00 Hrs.)** on website **www.tenderwizard.com/DAE** or **www.tenderwizard.in/DAE** Detailed NIT and corrigendum is also available on website **www.barc.gov.in** for view only.

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NOTICE TO BORROWER
(UNDER SUB-SECTION (2) OF SECTION 13 OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002)

'At your request, Bank has extended credit facilities to the below mentioned individuals against secured assets through its **Bank of Baroda, Koramangala Branch,** The relevant particulars of the property on which you have created security interest by execution of security agreement/documents & creation of mortgage by way deposit of title deeds are furnished hereunder. As the operation and conduct of the financial assistance/ credit facilities have become irregular, the debts have been classified as Non Performing Assets in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by the borrowers in repayment of the principal debt and interest thereon. As the demand notice sent by register AD calling upon you, was un-served/not acknowledged, this publication is now issued.

1.Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: M/s.Dinakar and Company, No.180, 2nd Main 1st Cross, B.H.C.S. Layout, Uttarahalli Main Road, Bangalore-560061

Nature and type of facility	Limit in Rupees	Rate of Interest	O/s as on 30.06.2021 (Incl. of interest up to 28.02.2021
Cash credit Loan Account no 74330500000011	75,00,000	12.90%	74,97,869.95
IFTL-74330600000560	5,24,516	8.90	2,23,474.18

Amount Outstanding : Rs.77,21,344.13 (Rupees Seventy Seven Lakhs Twenty One Thousand, Three Hundred Forty Four And Paise Thirteen Only) **as on 30.06.2021 (Incl. of interest up to 28.02.2021)** and other Charges.
NPA Date : 30.06.2021 **Demand Date : 05.07.2021**
Security agreement with brief description of securities: All the piece and parcel of the respect of immovable property bearing No.257, Khatha No.536, Subramanyapura Village Panchayat formed in Sy.No's 1to 5,58 and 60,BBMP Khatha No.536/257, formed by sri.Maruthi co-operative society limited,vasanthapura village,Uttara halli,Bangalore-south taluk measuring EW-40feet and NS-30feet and bounded on the East by : Road, West by: Site No.242, North by: Site No.258, South by Site No.256.

2.Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: M/s.Green Earth Ventures, Partnership firm, Office at, No.220/230, Rahat Gardenia Villa No.2B, Bangalore-560066.

Nature and type of facility	Limit in Rupees	Rate of Interest	O/s as on 30.06.2021 (Incl. of interest up to 28.02.2021
CRE Loan Account no 74330600000159	4,50,00,000	15.20 %	Rs2,30,92,338.13

Amount Outstanding : Rs.2,30,92,338.13 (Rupees Two CroresThirty Lakhs Ninty Two Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Eighty And Paise Thirteen Only) **as on 30.06.2021 (Incl. of interest up to 28.02.2021)** and other Charges.
NPA Date : 30.06.2021 **Demand Date :05.07.2021**
Security agreement with brief description of securities: All the piece and parcel of the respect of residential house property bearing BBMP Khatha No.129/36/2/A,Sy.No.36/2, site No.14, old H.A.S.B. Khatha No.445/284/1,old property No.36/2 site NO.14, Kaggadasapura, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore-East Taluk, Bangalore, measuring EW-30 Feet and NS-40 Feet and Bounded on the East by:20feet Road, West by: Site No.23, North by Site No.15, South by Site No.13 **And,** Remaining/left out flats (OUT OF 46 FLATS)available, which have come to the undivided share of M/s,Green Earth Ventures, formed in the lay out by name-Green Earth Atrium at sy.No.136(old No122) measuring 33 guntas,having BBMP Khatha No.552/510/1,with in ward No.84,Nagondanahalli Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Behind Whitefield Global school, Bangalore-560066

3.Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: Mr. A.Nahid Pasha S/O K.Anwar Pasha No.9, 4th Cross 8th Main Road, 3rd Block East Jaya Nagara Bangalore-560011. **Mr. A.Naveed Pasha** S/O K.Anwar Pasha No.9, 4th Cross, 8th Main Road, 3rd Block East Jaya Nagara Bangalore-560011

Nature and type of facility	Limit in Rupees	Rate of Interest	O/s as on 30.06.2021 (Incl. of interest up to 28.02.2021
Mortgage Loan Account no 74330600000456	18,00,000	10.40	Rs.16,85,566.09

Amount Outstanding : Rs.16,85,566.09 (Rupees Sixteen Lakhs Eighty Five Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Six And Paise Nine Only) **as on 30.06.2021 (Incl. of interest up to 28.02.2021)** and other Charges.
NPA Date : 30.06.2021 **Demand Date :05.07.2021**
Security agreement with brief description of securities: Schedule A Property: All that piece and parcel of the immovable house property bearing old No.2, New No. 9, 4th Cross 8th Main Road 3rd Block East Jayanagara Bangalore-560011, measuring EW-30 feet and NS-50feet consisting of Ground, First, Second and Third Floors, measuring 4400 Sft and Bounded on the East-Site No.3, West-Site No.1, North-Road, South-Site No.15.
Schedule B Property: All that piece and parcel of the Ground and First floor, in A schedule, Property bearing old No.2, New No 9, 4th Cross, 8th Main Road 3rd Block East Jayanagara Bangalore-560011, measuring 1100 sft and bounded on the East-Site No.3, West-Site No.1, North-Road, South-Site No.15.
Schedule C Property: All that piece and parcel of the Ground and First floor, in A Schedule, Property bearing old No.2,New No 9, 4th Cross 8th Main Road 3rd Block East Jayanagara Bangalore-560011,measuring 1100 Sft and having undivided share of 25% in the land and PID No.60-29-9/1 Bounded on the East-Site No.3, West-Site No.1, North-Road, South-Site No.15.

4.Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: N.Raghavendra, S/o Narayana, No.91,3rd Cross, C L Layout, DRC Post, Hosur Road, Bangalore-560029. **Smt.Munilakshmamma,** W/o Narayana, No.91, 3rd Cross, C L Layout, DRC Post, Hosur Road, Bangalore-560029

Nature and type of facility	Limit in Rupees	Rate of Interest	O/s as on 30.06.2021 (Incl. of interest up to 28.02.2021
Mortage Loan Account no 74330600000452	2800000	10.65%	Rs.23,07,600.56

Amount Outstanding : Rs.23,07,600.56 (Rupees Twenty Three Lakhs Seven Thousand Six Hundred And Paisa Fifty Six Only) **as on 30.06.2021 (Incl. of interest up to 28.02.2021)** and other Charges.
NPA Date : 30.06.2021 **Demand Date :05.07.2021**
Security agreement with brief description of securities: All the piece and parcel of the respect of immovable property Residental building consisting of ground + First + Second floor of site No 91,Comprised in Sy.No.67/1, PID no.63-77/89 situated Adugodi village, 35th Division of Bangalore,measuring East to West 30 feet,North to South 50 feet,in total Sital 1500 Square Feet, Built up area 4200Sq.ft and bounced on: East by : Site No.90, West by : 20 Feet Road, North by: 3rd Cross Road, South by: House No.67.

5.Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: Dr. Shalini Shetty W/o Dr.Varadan Kumar, (GPA Holder Of Dr. Varadan Kumar) No 37, 5th A Block, Koramangala, Bangalore-560095. **Also at:** Flat. No.B-1103, Mantri Flora, Ambalipura Village, Sarjapura Main Road, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore.

Nature and type of facility	Limit in Rupees	Rate of Interest	O/s as on 30.06.2021 (Incl. of interest up to 28.02.2021
Housing Loan Account no 74330600000340	4900000	7.40	Rs.31,14,724.00

Amount Outstanding : Rs.31,14,724 (Rupees Thirty One Lakhs, Fourteen Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Four Only) **as on 30.06.2021 (Incl. of interest up to 28.02.2021)** and other Charges.
NPA Date : 30.06.2021 **Demand Date :05.07.2021**
Security agreement with brief description of securities: Flat. No.B-1103, 11th Floor Mantri Flora Sarjapura Main Road, Ambalipura Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore measuring 1615 Sq.ft and Surrounded by Boundaries: East :Sy.No.46/1 West : Defence Property, North : Sarjapura Road, South : Ambalipura Village.

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of this notice, Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (4) of the section 13 of the SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section 13 of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtaining written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to the Banks rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deem necessary under any other applicable provisions of law.

Date : 24.07.2021 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Bank of Baroda**

Govt of Karnataka
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD DIVISION KALABURAGI

No : EE/PWD/KD/TS-2/Tender Notification/2020-21/1926 Date : 23-07-2021

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

1) Name of Work : Executive Engineer PWD Division Invites tender for the (11) Works under KKRDB for indent No. 139828, 137291, 137061, 137066, 137435, 139194, 137220, 137119, 137118, 138871, 139193, 2) Estimate cost: **Min Rs. 16.97 Lakhs Max Rs. 309.51 Lakhs,** 3) Eligibility of Contractor : Class II, I & above, 4) Pre bid Meeting : **07/08/2021 (11.00 Hrs),** 5) Last date for quries : **09/08/2021 (17.30 Hrs),** 6) Last date for Submission of bid : **10/08/2021 (16.00 Hrs),** 7) Date of Opening of Technical Bid : **11/08/2021 (16.30 Hrs),** 8) Date of opening of Financial Bid : **13/08/2021 (11.30 Hrs),** 9) Enquiries : Office of the Executive Engineer PWD Division Kalaburagi, 10) Note : **GST Will be Paid Separately,** 11) Website : **www.e-proc.Karnatak.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD Division Kalaburagi

DIPR/Kalaburagi/455/MC&A/2021-22

POSSESSION NOTICE

WHEREAS, the authorized officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited (Formerly known as Janalakshmi Financial Services Limited).,** under the Securitization And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued **demand notices** to the borrower(s)/ Co-borrower(s) calling upon the borrowers to repay the amount mentioned against the respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notices, along with future interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and/ or realisation.

Sr. No.	Loan No.	Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	13(2) Notice Date/ Outstanding Due (in Rs.) as on	Date / Time & Type of Possession
1	30198650007790	1) **M/s. Bharath Timber and Furniture** Represented by its Proprietorship **Mr. S. Amjad Khan,** 2) **Mr. S. Amjad Khan, 3) Mrs. Nasheeda Khanum**	23.06.2020 Rs.18,41,730.55/- as on 11.06.2020	23.07.2021 4.10 p.m Symbolic Possession
	Description of the Property: All the piece and parcel of Site Bearing No. 47/A, comprised in No.53/2, situated at 2nd Main Road, New Guruppanpalya, Bangalore (formerly no. 47/A in 53/2 Venkatappa Layout/ Block Guruppanpalya, Bangalore). Presently comes under the Jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 171 Old No. 64 and **Bounded by: East By:** Private property, **West By:** Canal, **North By:** Property of Basha Sahib, **South By:** Road.			
2	30198850007347	1) **M/s. Sri Raghavendra Krupa Provision Store** represented by its Proprietorship **Mr. Ravikumar. S,** 2) **Mr. Ravikumar. S, 3) Mrs. Varalakshmi**	23.06.2020 Rs.8,86,399/- as on 11.06.2020	23.07.2021 4.55 p.m Symbolic Possession
	Description of the Property: All that piece and parcel of the property Registered gift deed Executed by 'Ravikumar, S/o. Siddappa in favor of Varalakshmi wife of 'Ravikumar, Bangalore South Taluk, Uttarahalli Hobli in past Doddakallsandra Village Panchayat, BBMP Limit, Doddakallasandra Village Khata No. 106/65, property No. 65, East to West 12.5 ft. and North South 37 ft. totally 462.sq ft. **bounded by the: East by:** 2.5 foot path, after this Ravi Kumar's swamy and Nanajamma's Property, **West by:** Subbaiah Property, **North by:** Basamma's Property, **South by:** Munireddy layout compound.			
3	30198640001272	1) **M/s. Sri Krishna Tours And Travels** Represented by its Proprietorship **Mr. M. Manjunatha,** 2) **Mr. M. Manjunatha, 3) Mrs. Sridevi**	23.06.2020 Rs.29,27,842/- as on 11.06.2020	23.07.2021 2.05 p.m Symbolic Possession
	Description of the Property: All that piece and Parcel of Property Site no 197, Property no.4/1, Old Khata not.150, hale sampigehalli grama in namune 11, in New no. 569/150, Mantapa grama, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk measuring east to west 30 ft. north to south 40 ft. measuring 1200 sq. **bounded by: East By:** Site no. 198, **West By:** Site no. 196, **North By:** Site no. 12, **South By:** Road.			
4	34019430000089	1) **Mr. Sandesh B S,** 2) **Mrs. Radha, 3) Mr. Siddegowda**	05.05.2021 Rs.25,38,716.61/- as on 18.04.2021	23.07.2021 2.30 p.m Symbolic Possession
	Description of the Property: All that piece and parcel of property bearing Site No.6, Katha No.309, Assessment No.50/5, situated at O.B. Chudahalli, Kaggalipura Grama, Uttarahalli, Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and **bounded on the: North By:** Site No.5, **South By:** Site No.7, **East By:** Private Property, **West By:** 25ft Road.			

Whereas the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors, mentioned herein above have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the Borrower's mentioned herein above in particular and to the Public in general that the authorised officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** has **taken possession** of the properties/ secured assets described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the dates mentioned above. The Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors mentioned herein above in particular and the Public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid properties/Secured Assets and any dealings with the said properties/ Secured assets will be subject to the charge of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited.**

Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Date: 26.07.2021 **For. Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

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(A scheduled commercial bank)

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E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE
AUCTION SALE NOTICE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES THROUGH E-AUCTION (ON LINE AUCTION) UNDER RULES 8(6) & 9 OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002

Notice is hereby given to the effect that the immovable properties described herein, taken possession under the provisions of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, will be sold by inviting tenders on the following terms & conditions.

1	Names and Address of the secured creditor	**Canara Bank NRI Branch, BSNL Complex, Halasuru, Bengaluru- 560008.**
2	Names and Address of the Borrower	**Mr. Hari Raj S Prop: Viswa Industrial Product,** No. 21, Ajit Industrial Estate, Nayandahalli, Bangalore **2) Mrs. ShanthiNirmala R,** No. 23/32, KCN Compound 9th Main, 17th Cross, Padarayanapura, Bangalore -560026.
3	Total liabilities	Net amount due on **23.07.2021 Rs.56,64,507.00** (Rs Fifty Six lakhs Sixty four thousand five hundred seven only) Along with further interest @7.65% + 2% penal interest p.a. and other charges from **23.07.2021**
4.	Last Date & Time of receipt of online tender	**17.08.2021 up to 5.00 P M**
5	Address in which the online tender to be submitted	**The Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, NRI Branch BSNL Complex (DPCD 1985) S V Road, Halasuru, Bengaluru – 560008**
6	Date and time of e-auction (with unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration on each bid)	**19.08.2021 , 11 A M to 12 pm**
6a	Portal for E-auction	**https://www.bankeauctionwizard.com**

6 b. Details of property: Residential Flat No All that piece and parcel of a 2bedroom apartment No. 404 (Third Floor) building known as "Samptrupthi Enclave", Sy. No. 31, 32/1 and 35 Padma Upadyay Layout, Nagadevahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli Bangalore, Karnataka, India

Reserve Price: Rs.51,00,000/- **EMD – Rs. 5,10,000/-**

7. Other terms and conditions: The auction sale will be online e-auction-through the website **https://www.bankeauctionwizard.com**

a) The property will be sold in **"As is where is & as is what is" condition** including encumbrances, if any.
b) The properties can be inspected between **10.00 AM to 5.00 PM** on Banking days with prior appointment upto **16th August 2021.**
c) Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of **Rs. 1,00,000.** The bidder who submits the highest bid (not below the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor.
d) Intending bidders shall hold a valid digital signature certificate and e-mail address. For details with regard to digital signature please contact M/s Antares Systems Ltd, Bangalore **(Mr. Manohar S, Email : manohar.s@antaressystems.com. Contact No. 09686196753/08049352000)**
e) Bidders are advised to go through the website **http://www.bankeauctionwizard.com** for detailed terms and conditions of auction sale before submitting their bids and taking part in e-auction proceedings.
f) Prospective bidders if required may avail online training on e-auction from **M/s Antares Systems Limited.**
g) EMD shall be deposited by way of DD favouring Authorised officer, **Canara Bank, NRI Branch BSNL Complex Halasuru Bangalore** OR through online (RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer) to credit the account number **7952296000001,** Canara Bank, Central RO, Bangalore 560001. RTGS/NEFT CODE **CNRB0007952** (in the address mentioned in clause No.1 above) before submitting the bids online.
h) Bids shall be submitted through online with relevant details.
I) A copy of the bid form along with the enclosure submitted on line shall be forwarded to the Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, NRI Branch, BSNL Complex, Halasuru, Bengaluru-560008.
j) Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor.
k) The successful bidder/s shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price within the period stated above, the deposit made by parties shall be forfeited.
l) All charges for conveyance, stamp duty and registration charges and TDS amount as per the provisions of the Income Tax Act etc., as applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder/s only.
m) It is not within the knowledge of the bank about any taxes, revenue/dues to any local authority and any/all such taxes, revenue/dues to any local/statutory authority, if any, as applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder/s only.
n) Authorised officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the tender without assigning any reason thereof.
o) The intending bidder/s shall also attach a copy of the PAN Card issued by the income Tax department and his/her identity proof and the proof of residence such as copy of the Passport, Driving license, etc.

Contact Person:

Siddhartha Sircar, Manager N R I Branch Bangalore Metro - 560 008, (+91 80 25586736 Mob:9483501985 (+91 80 25599285 managercb1985@canarabank.com	**M/s Antares Systems Limited Contact Person : Mr. Manohar S, Email : manohar.s@antaressystems.com. Contact No. 09686196753/08049352000. Website: https://www.bankeauctionwizard.com**

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Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised officer**
Date: 26.07.2021 **Canara Bank**

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TOKYO 2020

Quiet the Games

I felt more excitement.It was like a sense of duty, like something I wanted to accomplish. The Olympics has been a dream of mine since I was a kid. And more than anything else, I'm happy to be playing tennis. -Naomi Osaka

NORWAY'S BLUMMENFELT WINS MEN'S TRIATHLON

Norway's Kristian Blummenfelt has won the men's triathlon in a time of one hour, 45 minutes and four seconds, 11 seconds ahead of Britain's Alex Yee.

In a gripping 400m freestyle final, Australian pips the US great in final stretch; three more face-offs likely in store at Tokyo

LEDECKY FAILS TITMUS TEST

Australia's Ariarne Titmus beats United States' Kate Ledecky to win gold in the 400m freestyle event on Monday | AP

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN

THE women's 400m freestyle final at the 2020 Olympics became a must watch a year ahead of schedule (it became two because of the pandemic). On July 21, 2019, to be exact. It was going to be the highlight on the opening day of the World Championships in Gwangju, South Korea. Katie Ledecky had enjoyed serene progress from her heat to the final and was expected to keep dominating the event she had first conquered as a 16-year-old at the World Championships in 2013. She had set the world record, eclipsed it, set more world records, had run most of the fastest times and had added another Olympic gold at the event in Rio by the time 2019 rolled around. So that thinking was only fair. The 24-year-old's only competition was herself. Just to ram home the gulf in class, she had set the fastest time in the heats, clocking 4:01.84.

What happened next, though, was a surprise. Australia's Ariarne Titmus, who qualified second fastest clocking 4:02.42, beat the US athlete by more than one second. Her 3:58.76 was an Australian record and one of the fastest times ever clocked in the event by somebody not named Katie Ledecky. Ledecky finished second with a 3:59.97, a surprise considering the US athlete almost never finishes second in individual races. That wasn't a flash in the pan though. Titmus, four years younger than Ledecky, swam quicker than Ledecky in this distance all through 2020.

This match-up was one reason why the swimming finals are being staged in the morning Japan time, so that it could be watched by fans back home in the US (swimming finals are usually in the night, irrespective of where the Olympics is staged).

This was the backdrop to Monday's 400m freestyle which pit Ledecky in Lane 4 and Titmus in Lane 3. This was why this four minutes became one of the most anticipated ones in recent Olympic history. The hype level was off the charts even if the two swimmers were quietly going about their business in a dignified manner.

And it did deliver. Ledecky, as she usually does, flexed her muscles, opened a solid lead and looked odds on to claim gold with 70 metres to go. However, Titmus, featuring in her first Olympics, isn't one to cower. While lesser swimmers may have worried about the gap, she always stuck to her gameplan. Chase the leader before sneaking up on them with only a lap to go. She employed the same strategy, chased Ledecky with about 50m to go, consolidated that advantage before taking down one of the greatest swimmers of all time.

I wouldn't be here without her, she's set this amazing standard in middle-distance freestyle for girls and if I didn't have someone like her to chase I definitely wouldn't be swimming the way I am.

Ariarne Titmus, Australian swimmer

Titmus' time of 3:56:59 was so good it was just 0.13 seconds short of Ledecky's existing world record. The American came home in 3:57:36 minutes. Just in terms of the sheer numbers Ledecky had compiled, this does qualify as an upset. Before Monday, she had taken part in four individual swimming finals at the Olympics. She had finished first in all of them.

What did it mean to Titmus and her entourage? One just had to look at the way her coach, Dean Boxall, reacted on the upper deck. He was like an unchained puppy, jumping up and down. At one point, one of the volunteers near him was caught between taking evasive action from his flailing arms and reminding him about the need to put back his mask as he had ripped it during the celebration.

Importantly, this is now a proper rivalry and it gives fans the chance to see what kind of a champion Ledecky is. She hasn't been challenged in this manner. Now that she has, she knows she has to come up with something to answer the challenge. The next phase of this rivalry could come on Wednesday morning when the two will likely go head-to-head (they have advanced to the semifinals) in the 200m freestyle final. They are also scheduled to meet in the 800m freestyle as well as being drafted into the respective 4x200m freestyle squads.

For what it's worth, Titmus played down the prospect of more upsets, even if her aim is to dethrone the current queen of middle-distance swimming. "I don't really feel the hype, it's more you guys. I just try to race the best I can and ignore everything else," she said after the race. "I honestly thought I'd be more nervous coming into this but Dean said to me 'look, you know how to swim, this is just a big swimming race, you just have to do what you know how to do'."

Just to put the race into perspective, she also thanked the silver-medallist for inspiring woman like her to take up the sport. "I wouldn't be here without her, she's set this amazing standard in middle-distance freestyle for girls and if I didn't have someone like her to chase I definitely wouldn't be swimming the way I am," the Australian said. "I'm really grateful to her and now it's good to have someone that I can race all the time. It's super fun. Now I can just have fun out there — being in a battle is the best thing."

For the US athlete, it's about timing her swims going forward, something she hasn't really needed to do in her career. "I fought tooth and nail and that's all you can ask for," she said.

Past events will help ease anxiety: Vijay

INDRANEEL DAS @ Chennai

WHEN Indian shooters left for Croatia on a chartered flight, a lot of discussions surrounded their form and ability to win medals. The World Cup in Delhi, in terms of medals, raised hope but in terms of performance, the bar did not rise. Rio Olympics four years ago was a disaster after Athens, Beijing and London high. Tokyo could have been a redemption. And we are still living on hope.

After days of despair at the shooting ranges since the sport began, all eyes will be on the pair of Saurabh Chaudhury and Manu Bhaker in the 10m Air Pistol Mixed Team Qualification on Tuesday. It will not be easy and the teenagers must bury the demons of the last few days. Having blanked on five events — 10m air pistol/rifle (both men & women) and men's skeet, the team will be hopeful of a change in fortunes on Tuesday.

Vijay Kumar, London Olympics silver medallist, puts it quite succinctly and terms previous appearances could, in fact, help them soothe their nerves. Citing his example in London, he said this could be a blessing in disguise. "In London, I participated in 50m free pistol which was three days before the rapid fire event," he told this daily. "Their rule was that if there is no one from our country in that event someone can participate. Though I was selected for the rapid fire event, I chose to shoot in free pistol also. Obviously, it was not my event so I did not do well. Still, I managed to achieve a respectable total. But I got an advantage in my next event."

Vijay said this experience helped him during the rapid fire event where he won silver. "It really helped me a lot. No matter how good you are, when you participate in a big competition for the first time, you tend to be nervous. But after your first appearance that anxiety subsides. The chances of doing better in the next event increase. That helped me in London during rapid fire. So they have finished first events and now they will be more relaxed."

Manu Bhaker

EVENTS

Saurabh Chaudhary/Manu Bhaker and Yeshahswini Deswal/Abhishek Verma in 10m Air Pistol Mixed Team Qualification

Elavenil Valarivan/Divyansh Singh Panwar and Anjum Moudgil/Deepak Kumar in 10m Air Rifle Mixed Team Qualification

Vijay also felt the shooters should do well because they had been consistent during the last two years. "As a team both rifle and pistol shooters perform well," he said. "Saurabh and Manu have been very consistent since 2019 and it's a new event so they have a fairly good chance. In fact, all of them have a good chance. They have been dominating in the World Cup." Yashaswani Singh Deswal and Abhishek Verma, the second team who'll be part of the air pistol mixed event, will also be hopeful of a better show. Like Manu, Abhishek had suffered a late collapse to miss the men's final.

In the 10m air rifle mixed team event, Divyansh Singh Panwar will be looking to put behind Sunday's forgettable display and give a strong account of himself alongside Elavenil Valarivan, who had also missed out in the individual event after few average hits.

First-ever Olympic gold for Philippines

Weightlifter Hidilyn Diaz made history on Monday when she became the first athlete from the Philippines to win an Olympic gold medal. The 30-year-old Rio 2016 silver medallist from the southern city of Zamboanga realised her dream in the women's 55kg class at the Tokyo International Forum, smashing her personal best to see off world record holder Liao Qiuyun of China who had to settle for silver. Liao took the silver, with Kazakhstan's Zulfiya Chinshanlo the bronze."It's unbelievable, it's a dream come true," said Diaz, saluting her Nationa flag.

TOKYO TRAIL

MEDALS TALLY

	G	S	B	T
1. Japan	8	2	3	13
2. USA	7	3	4	14
3. China	6	5	7	18
4. ROC*	4	5	3	12
33. India	0	1	0	1

*RUSSIAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE

Russia win rare artistic gymnastics team gold

Nikita Nagornyy led the Russian team to the coveted men's artistic gymnastics gold at the Tokyo Olympics on Monday to add to their world title. The Russians turned the tables on Japan, who had pipped them to the title in Rio 2016. China had to settle for bronze. Russia last won gold in 1996.

Olympic broadcasters curb sexual images

At an Olympics aiming to set the highest level of television standards, the head of broadcasting at the Tokyo Games is trying to banish overly sexualized images of female athletes. "Sport appeal, not sex appeal" is one mantra Olympic officials push in an effort to reach gender equity on the field of play and on screen. "You will not see in our coverage some things that we have been seeing in the past, with details and close-up on parts of the body," Olympic Broadcasting Services chief executive Yiannis Exarchos said Monday. Gymnasts from Germany sent a message against uniforms they believe exploit their sexuality.

Mirabai brings home the silver medal, chaos greets her arrival at IGI Airport

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

AFTER creating history in Tokyo, Indian weightlifter Mirabai Chanu and her coach Vijay Sharma returned to the country to a grand but chaotic reception at the Indira Gandhi International Airport on Monday.

After touching down in the national capital, the silver medallist was greeted by officials from the Sports Authority of India who felicitated her. She took a mandatory RT-PCR test at the airport premises and was flanked by security on her way out. Shouts of "Bharat Mata Ki Jai" and "Vande Mataram" echoed throughout the airport as everybody clapped for the star from Manipur. Chaos ensued as soon as she stepped out with media, camerapersons and well-wishers thronging the gates and security personnel had to step in to whisk her away to safety.

Later, in the evening, the 26-year-old was felicitated by the sports minister Anurag Thakur. This was her first trip to India after flying out to the USA on May 1 for a stint with renowned strength and conditioning coach Dr. Aaron Horschig. The lifter thanked the Sports Ministry and TOPs for their invaluable support.

Mirabai Chanu, Olympics silver-medallist, with Union Sports Minister Anurag Thakur (second right), Union Law Minister Kiren Rijiju (second left) on Monday | AP

"This is a dream come true for me. I have been training for this moment for years and I am glad that it all came right for me at the biggest stage of them all, the Olympic Games. The trip to USA last year to address issues related to my shoulder was instrumental in my journey to this medal. I am grateful for all the support extended by the government towards me and I would also like to say that the Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS) had boosted my career and medal prospects."

Anurag Thakur congratulated Mirabai and said, "Mirabai Chanu's victory is the victory of 130 crore Indians. Her performance has caught the imagination of the entire nation. She will inspire a generation of athletes, even more from the north east." The diminutive Manipuri lifted a total of 202kg (87kg+115kg) in the 49kg category to clinch silver. With that performance, she exorcised the ghosts of the 2016 Rio Games where she posted only one legitimate lift.

Bhavani goes down fighting in 2nd round

India men's archery team lost to Korea in quarterfinals

INDIA's first ever fencer in the Olympics, C A Bhavani Devi, lasted two rounds at the Games, her historic maiden appearance ending with a loss to World No 3 Manon Brunet in the women's individual sabre event here on Monday. The 27-year-old began her campaign with a confident 15-3 win against Tunisia's Nadia Ben Azizi but bumped into Rio Olympics semifinalist Frenchwoman Brunet in the next round, which she lost 7-15.

India lose 0-2 to Germany

The Indian women's hockey team went down 0-2 to Rio Games bronze-medallist Germany, its second consecutive defeat in Pool A at the Tokyo Olympics on Monday.

After the 1-5 drubbing at the hands of World No 1 Netherlands, the Indians lifted their game by a notch but it was not enough to get past World No 3 Germany at the Oi Hockey Stadium.

The team was guilty of wasting a lot of opportunities, including a penalty stroke by Gurjit Kaur in the third quarter while luck also didn't favour the Rani Rampal-led side.

INDIA ROUND UP

Indian will play Great Britain in their next pool match on Wednesday.

Nagal hammered

Sumit Nagal was blown away by World No 2 Daniil Medvedev's thunderous strokes and serves in the men's singles second round as India's tennis challenge all but ended at the Tokyo Games. The Russian did not even need his A game as he cruised to a 6-2 6-1 win in just 66 minutes against 160th-ranked Nagal at Court 1 of the Ariake Tennis Centre.

Satwik-Chirag pair loses

The Indian men's doubles pair of Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty suffered a straight game loss to World No 1 Marcus Gideon Fernaldi and Kevin Sanjaya Sukamuljo of Indonesia in their second Group A match. The World No 10 Indian duo could never get into any kind of rhythm and lost 13-21, 12-21 in 32 minutes against the top seeded team. It was their ninth defeat to the Indonesian pair in as many meetings.

Sukamuljo and Gideon are now at the top of the group, while Satwik and Chirag are on the second spot.

TOUGH ROAD AHEAD

Sharath, the lone paddler to survive, runs into world No 1 Long next

AYANTAN CHOWDHURY @ New Delhi

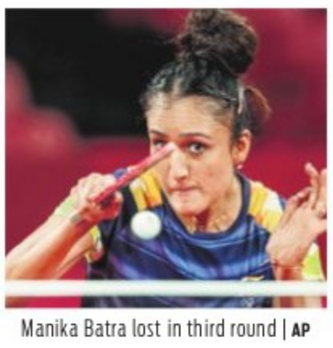
IT was another mixed day in terms of results in the table tennis section with both female paddlers Manika Batra and Sutirtha Mukherjee bowing out while the lone male player A Sharath Kamal made it through. But once again, a coach in Manika's corner was conspicuous by his absence.

Commonwealth Games and Asian Games medallist Manika got thrashed 0-4 by 10th seed Sofia Polcanova in the third round while India's No 1 men's paddler Sharath, after a poor start, came back strongly to get the better of Portugal's Tiago Apolonia. In both the matches, the Indian athletes were struggling at one point and while Sharath dug deep with the help of national coach Soumyadeep Roy, Manika could not because she didn't have a coach behind her. Having someone sit in your corner, just egging you on or suggesting a tactical tweak can work wonders as they sit behind the play and can observe things better.

Sharath was visibly upset after capitulating in the first game. After the Portuguese once again levelled proceedings in the fourth, things seemed to be right on edge. The 39-year-old and Apolonia were tied 4-4 in the fifth set before Soumyadeep called for a timeout. And that ploy worked wonders and the Indian did not look back after that.

"That was a brilliant call and he motivated me and made sure I return back to the court in the right frame of mind. And I just flicked on the switch and I was back with clarity and made things work after that," Sharath told this daily after the match. Incidentally, Sharath has traditionally struggled against his opponent, having lost to him in the last seven occasions including in the Bundesliga as well as UTT.

Up next for Sharath is the defending champion and second-seed Chinese Ma Long. The Indian veteran has played Ma four times - twice in men's singles and twice in team events - between 2007 and 2019. But it is the Chinese paddler who holds a 4-0 record against the Indian.



Manika Batra lost in third round | AP

Soumyadeep is Sutirtha's personal coach and that definitely helped the debutant in her opener but things did not work out in the same manner on Monday. Sutirtha lost her second round match to Portugal's Yu Fu in straight games. Even G Sathiyan, whose personal coach S Raman was not given a chance to travel to Tokyo, also had worlds of praise for Soumyadeep.

"He kept motivating me and pumped me up and kept asking be to be more aggressive," the World No 37 said. Of course, Raman's presence would have been of great help especially when Sathiyan turned passive but that's just the way the COVID-induced restrictions have worked.

Manika has impressed one and all with her gutsy performance but not allowing the national coach to sit in her corner might not have been the best look for her. The federation is not too happy and it remains to be seen what happens in the days to come. TTFI is not fault-free either as they failed to find an adequate replacement despite the last coach leaving the job post the completion of the Asian Games.

TOKYO 2020

Quiet the Games

I'm so glad to become the youngest (Japanese gold medallist) at my first Olympics... tears came to my eyes.
– Momiji Nishiya, Japan's gold medal-winning skateboarder

YURCHENKO DOUBLE PIKE

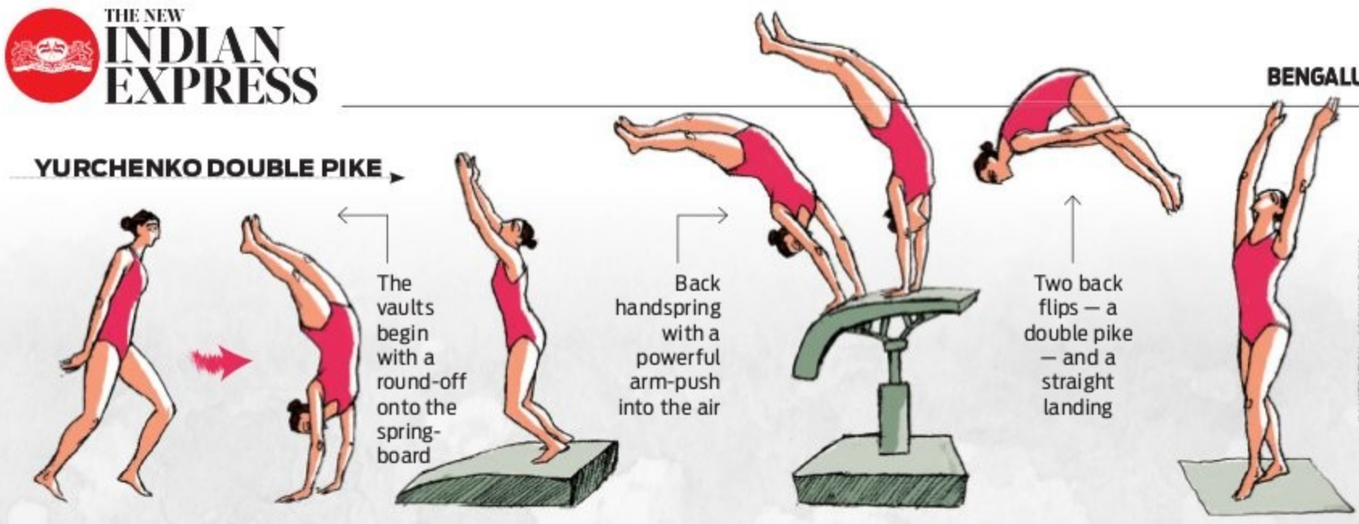

The vaults begin with a round-off onto the spring-board
Back handspring with a powerful arm-push into the air
Two back flips — a double pike — and a straight landing

ILLUSTRATION : SOUMYADIP SINHA

Soaring Simone

American gymnast Simone Biles is expected to soon perform the Yurchenko double pike, the ultra-dangerous gravity-defying move that has been peformed only by a handful of gymnasts in competitions. We take a look at what the vault requires...

SOVIET ORIGINS
The vault was invented by Soviet gymnast Natalia Yurchenko at the **1982** Gymnastics World Cup.

WHAT IS A PIKE?
A type of flip where the gymnast has hips bent, knees straight and close together in flight.
A double pike means the gymnast does two such rotations quickly in the air before landing.

WHY IS THIS A DIFFICULT FEAT?
The gymnast has to push herself off with a handspring on the vaulting table with enough force to perform a double pike. The vault is done from a backflip position. And any mistake could cause serious injuries to the spinal chord.

A BILES FIRST
No other woman has performed the move in competition before Simon Biles did, at the US Classic in May. It has been a rare move for men gymnasts too.

Gold medallist Momiji Nishiya, of Japan, is congratulated by Brazilian silver medallist Rayssa Leal (left) for winning the women's street skateboarding finals on Monday | AP

TEENSATIONAL

Skateboarding teens blaze trail for women after years in shadow

JOHN LEICESTER @ Tokyo

ON the Olympic podium, three teenage girls aged 13, 13 and 16 wore weighty gold, silver and bronze medals around their young necks, rewards for having landed tricks on their skateboards that most kids their age only get to see on Instagram.

After decades in the shadows of men's skateboarding, the future for the sport's daring, trailblazing women suddenly looked brighter than ever at the Tokyo Games on Monday.

It's anyone's guess how many young girls tuned in to watch Momiji Nishiya of Japan win the debut Olympic skateboarding event for women, giving the host nation a sweep of golds in the street event after Yuto Horigome won the men's event.

But around the world, girls trying to convince their parents that they, too, should be allowed to skate can now point to the 13-year-old from Osaka as an Olympic-sized example of skateboarding's possibilities.

The silver went to Rayssa Leal, also 13 ' Brazil's second silver in skateboarding after Kelvin Hoefler finished second on Sunday in the men's event. The women's bronze went to Funa Nakayama of Japan. The event was celebrated as a win for women by many of the 20 competitors.

The field included Leticia Bufoni of Brazil, whose board was snapped in two by her dad when she was a kid to try to stop her from skating. There was a Canadian, Annie Guglia, who didn't see any other girls skate during her first two years on her board.

And there were plenty of others for whom the Olympic competition felt like a light at the end of a long tunnel.

"It's going to change the whole game," US skater Mariah Duran said. "This is like opening at least one door to, you know, many skaters who are having the conversations with their parents, who want to start skating." -AP

Skeet shooter wins bronze at 58

PTI @ Tokyo

AGE is not just a number but also a driving force in Abdullah Alrashidi's quest for doing things as rare as winning an Olympic medal at 58 and activities as striking as shooting in the sport's showpiece wearing an Arsenal FC shirt.

On Monday, the seven-time Olympian claimed the bronze medal in the men's skeet event and soon after pulling off what not many have in the history of Olympics, promised to go for gold at 2024 Paris, by which time he will have become a sexagenarian.

"I am 58 years old. I am the oldest shooter and the bronze medal is worth more than gold for me," he told the Olympic Information Service at the Asaka Shooting Range.

"I'm not lucky enough to win the gold medal, but I am happy with the bronze medal and, with Allah's help, I hope next Olympics, Paris 2024, I have a gold medal. I'll be 61 there and I'll shoot two events, skeet and trap."

The great Vincent Hancock gave the United States a sweep after becoming the first skeet shooter to win three gold medals. But it was the shooter from Kuwait who was trending at the end of their finals. Alrashidi, who started his Olympic journey at Atlanta 1996, shot 46 in the six-man finals to earn the bronze. Denmark's Jesper Hansen settled for silver with 55 points.

This is his second medal in the Olympics, having won a bronze in 2016 in Rio.

3 wrestlers leave for Tokyo, Vinesh flies out from Hungary

FIROZ MIRZA @ Chennai

INDIAN women wrestlers — Seema Bisla (50kg), Anshu Malik (57kg) and Sonam Malik (62kg) — left for Tokyo along with two coaches and a physiotherapist on Monday evening. They are scheduled to reach their destination on Tuesday morning. The wrestlers, along with the coaches (Kuldeep Malik and Rajeev Tomar), were training at the SAI centre in Sonepat while being in isolation. They also underwent RT-PCR tests for seven consecutive days before their departure as was mandated by the Tokyo Games organising committee.

Meanwhile, star wrestler Vinesh Phogat (53kg) is scheduled to reach the Japanese capital on Tuesday and join the team. She also left from Hungary on Monday. Her Hungarian coach Woller Akos will also reach the venue on the same day but it is learnt that he is travelling separately and got an accreditation card through the Hungarian Olympic Committee.

"We saw them off at the New Delhi airport. The Indian contingent comprises six members including a physiotherapist. Our advice to the wrestlers was simple, compete in the Games like any other international event. Anshu's father and coach Ajmer Malik also gave the same advice to the wrestlers," Sonam's father Rajinder Malik told this daily.

The male wrestlers — Ravi Dahiya (57kg), Bajrang Punia (65kg) and Deepak Punia (86kg) — along with their personal coaches and other support staff, have reached Moscow from their training base in Vladikavkaz and are training in the Russian capital. The three wrestlers underwent the first Covid test on Monday and will take another test on Tuesday before leaving for Tokyo. The three personal coaches, however, will start taking tests from Wednesday onwards as they will join the wrestlers a couple of days later.

"The women wrestlers have left and Vinesh will join them in Tokyo. Male wrestlers will leave Russia on July 29," Vinod Tomar, assistant secretary of the Wrestling Federation of India (WFI), told this daily. Georgian coach Shako Bentinidis is supervising Bajrang's preparations while Ravi is being coached by Russian Kamal Malikov. Murad Gaidarov, the 2008 Beijing Olympics silver medallist, is the coach of Deepak.

"The reason for the late departure of personal coaches is limited accreditation cards issued by organisers in the wake of the pandemic. Cards of other members of the Indian contingent will be transferred to them once the former leave Games Village. That's why they will leave Moscow on August 1 and reach Tokyo a day later to be with their wards," added Tomar. Till Monday, India have managed only one medal, with weightlifter Mirabai Chanu winning silver in 49kg category. The wrestlers are favourites to win medals at the ongoing Games.

ANNA KIESENHOFER THE DEDUCTION

Anna Kiesenhofer's gold for Austria in the road race is likely to be one of the more surreal medal-winning performances in the history of the Games. Here's a look why...

DISREGARDING UNWRITTEN RULE
In endurance cycling events, the basic tenet is to keep the powder dry in the early stages. Because of the gruelling nature of competition, cyclists, at least the ones serious about medalling, prefer to not start rapidly. The Austrian pedalled like the wind, disappeared into the distance and ultimately fooled the peloton.

LACK OF SUPPORT SYSTEM
Elite cyclists are perhaps one of the the most high maintenance among all sportspersons. They need their own mini support system in place — compatriots acting as pacemakers, nutritionists, coaches — as well as regular international level meets. The 30-year-old had none of these and yet walked away with gold.

AERODYNAMIC DRAG
The group spearheaded by the doctorate in Applied Mathematics brokeaway with about 90 kms to go. Then Anna, who doesn't have a professional cycling contract, seperated and sped away. That isn't adviced because it increases aerodynamic drag as well as energy expenditure. That's why lead cyclists (called the peloton) move together before breaking away near the end.

137
THE COURSE WAS 137 KMS LONG

I don't need like high-level math for this kind of calculations, but I planned the race, I looked at the time, how much food I have to take in and so on. I planned to attack at kilometre zero.
Anna Kiesenhofer

GOLDEN CHAPTER

Daley struggle: Olympic champion who grew up in the public eye

AFP @ Tokyo

TOM Daley's first Olympic diving title adds a golden chapter to a life lived in the public eye, during which he has become one of Britain's most recognisable athletes and prominent voices on gay rights.

The 27-year-old, along with Matty Lee, took full advantage of some uncharacteristically wayward Chinese diving to win synchronised 10m platform gold on Monday at the pandemic-delayed Tokyo Games.

It was Daley's first gold — at his fourth Games — to go with the bronzes he won at London 2012 and Rio 2016.

Afterwards, having wiped away tears on the podium, Daley said: "Oh my goodness, it's actually kind of unbelievable. "I've dreamt of this — as has Matt — since I started diving 20 years ago."

Daley's story is a whirlwind tale sprinkled with success but also heartbreak, much of it played out in the glare of publicity. He began diving at the age of seven and there was a media frenzy around him when he competed at the 2008 Beijing Games as a fresh-faced schoolboy of just 14.

A year later, in Rome, Daley won gold at the world championships to underline his prodigious talent and prove that he could justify the hype. But there were growing pains. He was bullied at school and in 2011 his father, Rob, who did so much to support his diving career, died of cancer aged 40.

Britain's Tom Daley and Matty Lee pose after winning gold medals | AP

There was immense pressure on Daley as a home gold-medal prospect — and one of the faces — of the London 2012 Games. He did not quite live up to the hype but still won bronze in the 10m platform. Daley has said that it was only after the London Games that the death of his father really hit him. There were also injuries, he considered quitting diving and speculation constantly swirled about his sexuality.

My father (who passed in 2011 aged 40) never saw me win an Olympic medal, get married. My journey started in Plymouth, back in 2001, when I went to a local diving pool and thought it was cool to see divers doing somersaults on the board.
Tom Daley, British diver

In 2017 he married Oscar-winning US screenwriter Dustin Lance Black, after coming out at the age of 19. Together they have a young son, Robbie, named after Daley's father. He watched dad's Tokyo heroics on television. At Rio 2016, Daley won bronze again, this time alongside Daniel Goodfellow, but he fluffed his lines in the individual event. It was seen at the time as his prime opportunity to finally claim gold.

Daley has transcended his sport. He is vocal on gay issues, including urging homosexual footballers to be open about their sexuality, in order to help young fans who are struggling with their identity.

At the 2018 Commonwealth Games, where he won gold with Goodfellow, he called on nations in the Commonwealth that outlaw homosexuality to relax their anti-gay stance. In recent months, Daley has made headlines once more back in Britain — plenty of what he does ends up in newspapers — this time for passing time under coronavirus lockdowns by getting into crochet and knitting.

He does not shy away from the limelight and has nearly 900,000 followers on his YouTube channel. The gold medal freshly hanging around his neck, Daley said that his husband had a feeling that something special might happen in Tokyo. There were suggestions in the build-up that this would be Daley's last Games, but he played down the idea of retirement after his triumph.

INDIA WATCH

5.30 AM Shooting : Mixed 10m air pistol qualification Manu Bhaker/ Saurabh Chaudhary and Yashaswini Singh/ Abhishek Verma

6.30 AM Hockey: Men's Pool A India vs Spain

7.30 and 8.07 AM Shooting: Mixed 10m air pistol bronze and gold medal matches

8.30 AM Badminton: Men's doubles group stage Satwiksairaj Rankireddy/ Chirag Shetty vs Ben Lane and Sean Vendy

8.30 AM Shooting: Mixed 10m air rifle qualification Elavenil Valarivan/ Divyansh Panwar and Anjum Moudgil/ Deepak Kumar

8:30 AM Table tennis: Men's singles third round A Sharath Kamal vs Ma Long

8.35 AM Sailing: Women's laser radial race 5 and 6 Nethra Kumanan

10.57 AM Boxing: Women's welterweight preliminary rd Lovlina Borgohain vs Nadine Apetz

11.45 and 12.22 AM Shooting: Mixed 10m air rifle bronze and gold medal matches

INT'L WATCH

6.00 AM Hockey: Men's pool A Argentina vs Australia

7.06 AM Swimming: Women's 200m freestyle semifinal Katie Ledecky

7.30 AM Table tennis: Men's singles Rd 3 Fan Zhendong vs Emmanuel Lebesson

4.15 PM Gymnastics: Women's team final

Second on Centre Court Tennis
Women's singles Rd 3 Naomi Osaka vs Marketa Vondrousova

Djoko, Osaka have it easy

AFP @ Tokyo

NOVAK Djokovic strolled into the third round of the Tokyo Olympics tennis tournament on Monday as Japanese star Naomi Osaka's path to gold opened up further after a host of leading women's seeds exited.

Djokovic smacked 14 aces in a 6-4, 6-3 win over Germany's 48th-ranked Jan-Lennard Struff and will play Spain's Alejandro Davidovich Fokina for a place in the quarter-finals.

The World No 1 had led calls for organisers to push back start times to avoid the worst of the punishing heat after blazing sunshine brought the extreme weather policy into play in round one. But a gentle breeze and slightly overcast skies at Ariake Tennis Park made for less brutal conditions on the third day of the Games.

"I was struggling with certain things in the first round, but today was far more pleasant to play, just a higher level of tennis on my side," said Djokovic.

As Djokovic edges closer towards a Golden Grand Slam, after already snapping up the Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon titles this year, he appears unfazed by the rising pressure. Osaka raced into the last 16 as she powered past Switzerland's Viktorija Golubic 6-3, 6-2.

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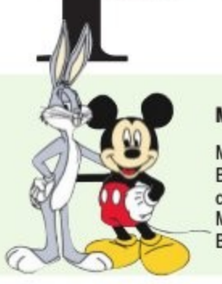
DAY'S DIARY

Bugs Bunny debuts

On July 27, 1940, Bugs Bunny, Warner Bros. cartoon character created by Tex Avery, Bob Givens, first debuted in *Wild Hare*

WITH ELMER FUDD

Bugs Bunny has been seen in several films and comics. *Wild Hare* is the first cartoon with the rabbit in his final redesign and named Bugs Bunny, also the first real teaming with Elmer Fudd



MICKEY'S RIVAL

Mickey Mouse rivals Bugs Bunny as the most popular cartoon character. Unlike Mickey's everyman persona, Bugs is shrewd & outspoken

FAME

Bugs and Mickey are the first cartoon characters to have a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. In 1997, Bugs was first cartoon character to appear on a postage stamp

Abhinaya Sharadhe Jayanthi no more

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STARTUP WATCH

BACK STORY
Crejo.Fun is a Bengaluru-based startup founded by IIM-Bangalore alumni Ankit Agarwal and Vikas Bansal in June 2020. The company aims to help children discover inner talent and creativity by introducing a standardised curriculum for extra-curricular activities.

FINANCE FUNDA:
The firm has recently raised $3 million in seed funding. Matrix Partners India, 021 Capital, and marquee angel investors such as Kalyan Krishnamurthy (CEO, Flipkart), Sujeet Kumar (co-founder, Udaan) among others have invested in the startup.

USP
According to the founders, the custom-built video-tech platform fun room aims to make learning more engaging and immersive for children with the use of virtual objects. The platform also uses AI and computer vision to detect errors made during the learning process. Some of the activities include yoga, visual arts, and hip hop dance that are undertaken by curriculum experts. Other activities in the pipeline include language arts, chess, and Bollywood dance.

TARGET AUDIENCE
The platform caters to children between four to 14 years of age and has more than 10,000 registered users.

Ankit Agarwal and Vikas Bansal

After months of attending online lessons, students came back with renewed excitement for 'regular classes' at Central College on Palace Road. | ASHISHKRISHNA HP

Back To Class

Submitting vaccine certificates, bustling cafeteria, refreshing memories; the first day at college after reopening saw students dealing with the fear of missing out

SANATH PRASAD

As the popular sentiment goes, a student goes to school like a tortoise and returns home like a rabbit, however, the pandemic seems to have reversed the action. As colleges are now set to re-open, it feels like students have got a big breather after being held "hostage" at home for months, following the lockdown induced by the second wave.

Students in Bengaluru reunited with their classmates despite fear of the virus still looming large. However, some colleges in the city are still keeping online classes in force, while the rest are conducting examinations and remedial classes (revision classes to brush up on curriculum) for students.

Students feel that after being confined to home for a long time, and away from college, they are now dealing with the fear of missing out. "Life in a pandemic is too hard, especially for outstation students. The news of reopening was refreshing. The fear of missing out in the last few months was massive. Although the Covid-19 scare remains intact but considering this is the new normal, we got to mould ourselves eventually," says Anuj Sahebrao Rayate, a journalism student, studying at the National School of Journalism. Keshav Shivakumar, an engineering student of New Horizon Engineering College, feels that his first day of college after reopening was fun, yet cautious. "Only those with at least one dose of vaccination were allowed to attend the remedial classes. However, offline education is still the best and it's really great to be back after two months," says Shivakumar, adding that the college cafeteria though witnessed a decent crowd, but the vibe inside the classroom was a little exhausting, especially after a long break.

Expressing his disappointment over the postponement of exams, Shivakumar says, "I am upset because I am supposed to be in the fifth semester by now, but I am still studying in the third semester, due to the postponement of exams."

With masks, social distancing and also submitting vaccine certificates, students did have an unusual experience. Nadia N who is studying first-year B.Com at Government First Grade College, KR Puram says, "The health protocols are really troublesome but we have to adhere to the new normal. We were allowed inside only after submitting our vaccine certificates. Meeting my friends was really exciting but the safety factor always dominates our minds, these days."

The pandemic has been really hard, especially for outstation students. The news of the reopening was refreshing. The fear of missing out in the last few months was massive

Anuj Sahebrao Rayate, student

Akshay Patil, a computer science student at PES University, Electronic City, believes that online classes serve little purpose compared to physically attending classes in college. "The seriousness and consistency in online classes are missing. Nothing beats ganging up with friends during break time and learning together in a class.

Although colleges are allowed to re-open, our college has kept it optional for us to attend," says Patil who will be attending college once it reopens early in August.

(With inputs from Vedika Mane)

Brushing dreams on canvas

Artist Priya Gaekwar's first-ever abstract artwork collection put up on display at the city-based gallery till August 7

AKASH KHANDKE

MUMBAI-based artist **Priya Gaekwar**'s 'An Uncommon Canvas', an abstract artwork collection, is the result of the nationwide lockdown due to Covid-19 pandemic. She claims that the lockdown gave her an opportunity to colour some of her pending dreams on canvas. Gaekwar said that the current exhibition portrays her progress in painting. "There were a number of ideas in my mind which were waiting to be expressed. The lockdown provided the much-needed free time to paint some canvases," says Gaekwar, who was born in Bengaluru.

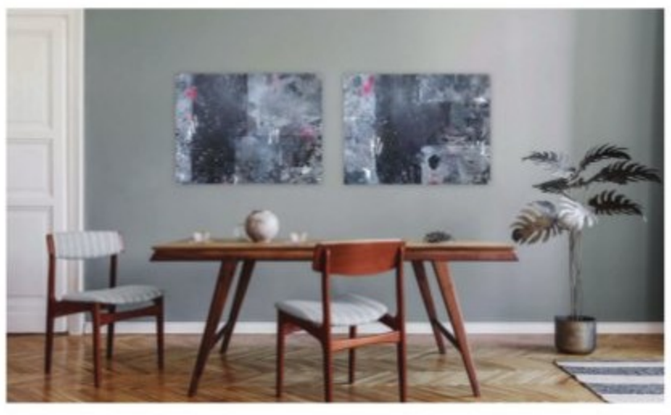
The artwork collection which is Gaekwar's first-ever solo exhibition is curated and exhibited at gallery g on Lavelle Road till August 7.

"I believe we are a collection of our journeys. Eventually, it brings us to the resting spot. After trying varied career options, I have settled on painting as I like to express myself on paper using vibrant colours," says Gaekwar, who shares a close bond with the garden city.

Hailing from a royal family of Gaekwars from Baroda, Gaekwar aspired to become an interior designer from a very young age. During her schooling in England, she discovered her inclination towards art. She has worked with some of the finest interior designers in Mumbai. And, to widen her design experience, she tried her hand at graphics, furniture, web, and print design. Later, she shifted to a career in luxury retail with Louis Vuitton. "Along with art and interior designing, I love the managerial aspect of work and hence, grabbed the opportunity of working with the iconic brand Louis Vuitton in 2006," says Gaekwar, adding that she was exposed to different designs and travelled extensively. "It was a life-changing experience as it helped me explore my creativity," she explains.

"Her brother and my father-in-law, the late Maharaja Ranjitsinh Gaekwad trained at the Royal College of Art, London, and was an accomplished and versatile artist whose works grace many prestigious collections. In this generation, we are happy to see the tradition percolate further to Priya Gaekwar. Priya's artistic flair lies in her play of colours and abstraction, with her design sensitivity tinting every work," says Maharani Radhikaraje Gaekwar, her sister-in-law.

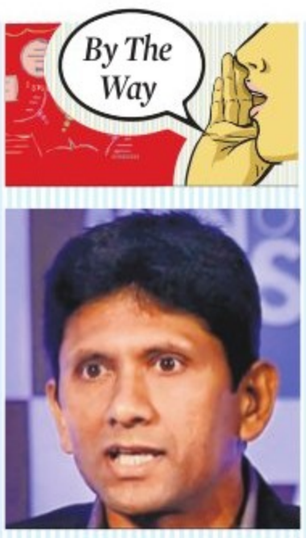
Gallerist Gitanjali Maini, MD at gallery g, says, "I have known Priya and her family for over 25 years. She has always been inclined towards art and has been passionately involved in it. Her sense of aesthetics was always commendable."



CITY READ

Kristu Jayanti College observes 22nd Kargil Vijay Diwas

To pay tribute to the martyrs of the Kargil War, Bengaluru's Kristu Jayanti College observed the 22nd Kargil Vijay Diwas on July 26. The National Cadet Corps (NCC) cadets, volunteers of the Centre for Social Activity (CSA), Karnataka Civil Defense Corps (KCDC), and the National Social Service (NSS) wing, marked the day with due solemnity and reverence in the college quadrangle. The programme was held under the leadership of Lt. Sarvesh BS, ANO, which was followed by placing of a wreath on the Amar Jawan Jyothi by Principal Rev. Dr Augustine George, Fr. Lijo P Thomas, financial administrator, and Fr. Deepu Joy of the management team.



Holy day

Like many, Venkatesh Prasad, the former cricketer observed Shravan, on the first Monday of the month. Prasad took to Twitter and shared a video of him singing a few verses of Rudrashtakam. "Today is the first Monday of Shravan in many parts of India. Though in Karnataka, it starts on August 9th. Om Namaha Shivaya, Shivaya Namaha Om. Shambho," he tweeted. He also explained their English meaning.

PEOPLE'S PSYCHIATRIST

Dr C R Chandrashekar's Samadhana provides care and support to patients suffering from mental health issues

RANJANI MADHAVAN

RECENTLY, a 76-year-old man visited the Samadhana Counselling Centre-a free counselling center- in Arekere. He could not recognise his grandchildren and mistook them to be someone else's. He had also forgotten how to take a bath or get dressed. Like him, **Dr CR Chandrashekar,** founder of Samadhana, has seen several patients who suffer from dementia- the loss of cognitive functioning wherein the symptoms include progressive impairments to memory, reasoning, thinking and behaviour, thus having a negative impact on the person's everyday activities.

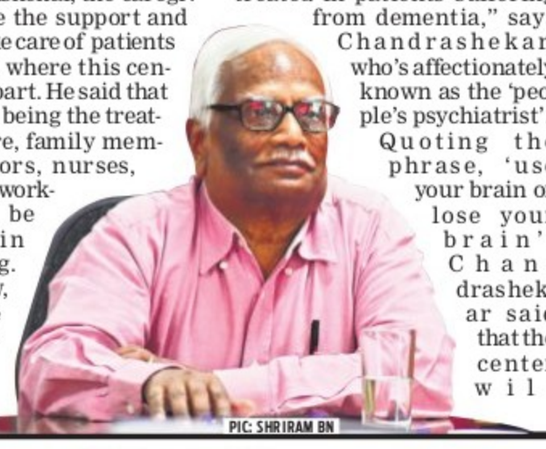
"Owing to problems in the geriatric community, the elderly being the most neglected section of the society, with their increasing population and problems, I decided that it was the right opportunity to donate for a cause. I donated ₹1 crore from my personal account and ₹9 lakh from my family trust to support the operational expenditure of the 40-bed REC Dementia Care Centre to be built by NIMHANS," says Chandrashekar, former professor of psychiatry, NIMHANS.

Caregivers, who are mostly female, often get burnout while taking care of persons suffering from dementia. According to Chandrashekar, the caregivers require the support and skills to take care of patients and that is where this centre plays a part. He said that apart from being the treatment centre, family members, doctors, nurses, and health workers, will be trained in caregiving. As of now, there are no drugs that can improve the memory or check on further deterioration of the brain. "Only associated emotional problems such as anger, depression, anxiety, and comorbid physical conditions can be treated in patients suffering from dementia," says Chandrashekar, who's affectionately known as the 'people's psychiatrist'.

Quoting the phrase, 'use your brain or lose your brain', Chandrashekar said that the center will teach caregivers exercises such as making the patient recall, teach them how to bathe, narrate them a story, or teach them how to cope with odd behaviours. "Elderly people often do not use their brain; they do not learn or think anything new. Here (centre), we teach caregivers how to train them that will rejuvenate dying cells temporarily and postpones the aging process. We also counsel them to accept that the patient is dementing and they have limitations. Many people often misinterpret the situation as fake," says Chandrashekar.

Stressing on the government's need to invest more on the geriatric population whose numbers is likely to increase to 30% by 2050, Chandrashekar pointed out that the government must conduct awareness programmes, build health facilities, public shelter homes, develop manpower and geriatric centers in every hospital, and train professionals to identify dementia cases early. He has also proposed to NIMHANS, to give a cash award of ₹5 lakh to a post-graduate student, based on an exam conducted in the subjects of public mental health and geriatric psychiatry.

Nearly 50% of the volunteers at Samadhana are elderly people. In order to remain fit, he said that one needs to enjoy one's work's to avoid physical or mental stress, and "be comfortable, have simple needs, and remain content".



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ROBOTICS CLASSES

Encourage your child to learn the basics of robotics through this course. The workshop will introduce Arduino and Scratch programming to children. They will be able to build projects like railway gates, line-following robots, and many more through artificial intelligence. **When:** July 27 - July 29 **Register:** bookmyshow.com

Swadeshi Touch

GoCoop, an online marketplace for artisans and weavers, is hosting 'Go Swadeshi', an exhibition showcasing handcrafted weaves from different parts of the country. The five-day event will feature a range of contemporary and traditional handlooms from Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Gujarat, Jammu & Kashmir, among others. **When:** July 28 onwards, 11am **Where:** Poornima Convention Centre, Jayanagar

ONLINE JAMMING

Join this free jamming session to jam your stress away with the music community. Jamming Adda gives an opportunity to artistes who want to sing, play an instrument or simply experience music.

When: Till July 31, 10pm **Details:** insider.in

MUSIC DUO

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What's cooking

IN YOUR KITCHEN?
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MATAR KI KACHORI

INGREDIENTS

- **Maida:** 1 cup ■ **Oil or ghee:** 1 tbsp + 2 tsp
- **Warm water:** 1/4 cup
- **Baking powder and salt:** 1/4 tsp each
- **Peas:** 1 cup
- **Red chilli and turmeric powder:** 1/4 tsp each
- **Coriander powder, fennel powder, chaat masala, amchur powder, green chilli-ginger paste:** 1/2 tsp each
- **Ginger** and **green chilli**, crushed
- **Cumin seeds:** 1/4 tsp ■ **Besan:** 1 tbsp

METHOD

- Sift the flour, salt and baking powder. Add oil and knead. Cover with a damp cloth. Steam peas.
- Heat oil. Add cumin, ginger and green chilli. Fry for a minute and add dry spice powders and salt. Stir and add gram flour. Saute. Add mashed peas.
- Make equal-sized balls of the dough. Add stuffing in the center, and brush the edges with water. Bring all the edges together and pinch. Roll into kachoris.
- Heat oil in a kadai and fry the kachoris till these become golden and crisp. Serve with chutney.

— Amit Aggarwal, Gurugram

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Despite being the sole heir to a large fortune, Shanmugam is forced to work as a servant by his aunt. Circumstances force him to marry Kannamma even though he is in love with Sakunthala.
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Aadhavan, a professional sharpshooter, gets a contract to kill Subramaniam, a prominent judge. He enters his house as a servant and wins the heart of his family members while plotting his death.
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PAIYAA

Shiva, an unemployed graduate, falls in love with Charulatha. However, when on Charulatha's request, he drives her to Mumbai, the two are chased down by two different gangs for different reasons.
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Particle physicist Harry Cliff works on the Large Hadron Collider at CERN, and he has some potentially bad news for people who seek answers to these questions. Despite the best efforts of scientists (and the help of the biggest machine on the planet), we may never be able to explain all the weird features of nature.

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FIT BIT

KALI MUDRA

(GESTURE OF TRANSFORMATION)

In Sanskrit, 'kali' means 'she who is black' or 'she who is death' and 'mudra' means 'gesture.' This Mudra is practiced in restorative yoga sequences or therapy yoga sequences to correct symptoms related to anxiety, depression, or insomnia. It encourages positivity in the body by eliminating blockages in the Sushumna Nadi, thus reducing stress and distraction. All fingers except the index finger collide in this mudra, the palms face each other. While the fingers are interlocked, the left thumb rests on the thumb of the right hand and not vice versa.

STEPS

- Find a comfortable seated position, preferably Sukhasana.
- Now press your palms together in prayer pose.
- Fold down and interlace your last three fingers, keeping the index fingers and thumbs pointing upwards.
- Keep the mudra in front of your heart centre and breathe deeply.
- You can practise the mudra with the mantra: 'I am strong. I am powerful. I let go of what no longer serves me.'
- Breathe deeply and envision letting go of things that hold you back with each exhale.
- Alternatively, place the thumbs with the mudra in between your eyebrows to connect to your third eye and your intuition or lift the mudra above your head and breathe deep to connect to strong feelings of power and strength.

BENEFITS

- Doing this mudra for more than 10 minutes can energise your body and eliminate the negative flow.
- Helps to activate energy in the upper chakras.
- Helps reduce tension and stiffness in the joints; sends positive signals through the body and mind.
- Ejects toxins from the body along with negative energy, making room for the apparent flow of life.
- Benefits in depression, since it alleviates negative energy, anxiety or insomnia.

LIMITATIONS

- This mudra should be either combined with asanas or can be done as a part of meditation and pranayama class while being seated in Sukhasana.

— by N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

NOW STREAMING

REGIONAL

MALIK (Malayalam)

A young man rises to prominence through his unswerving fight against political and police corruption in his village.

Cast: Fahadh Faasil, Nimisha Sajayan, Dileesh Pothan, Meenakshi Raveendran
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RAANJHANAA (Hindi)

When Kundan finds that his childhood love, Zoya, likes someone from her community, he decides to forget about her. However, when he realises she is lying about her fiance's religion, he goes berserk.

Cast: Dhanush, Sonam Kapoor, Abhay Deol, Swara Bhaskar, Zeeshan Mohammed
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Vaazhl is a film about inner search, through travel and journey to discover your true self.

Cast: Aahrav, Pradeep Anthony, TJ Bhanu
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PADAIVEERAN (Tamil)

Muneeshwaran decides to become a police officer after seeing the perks the job offers. However, he is caught in a dilemma when he is tasked with dealing with communal riots in his village.

Cast: Vijay Yesudas, Amritha Iyer, Akhil, Bharathiraja
- Watch on: Zee 5

TOOFAN (Hindi)

An inspiring story of an orphan from the streets of Dongri, who grows up to become a local goon and how his life changes after he meets a young and compassionate girl who guides him on the right path and makes him realise his true calling — boxing

Cast: Farhan Akhtar, Mrunal Thakur, Paresh Rawal, Darshan Kumaar
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IKKAT (Kannada)

A warring couple is on the verge of divorce. However, the pandemic and the lockdown force them to stay together and put their plan for separation on the backburner.

Cast: Nagabhushan, Bhoomika Shetty
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ONDU MOTTEYA KATHE (Kannada)

Janardhan, a reserved young man, contemplates his options after an astrologer predicts an ascetic future for him unless he gets married within the year.

Cast: Raj B Shetty, Amrutha Naik, Deepak Rai Panaje, Usha Bhandary
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FOREIGN

TOM & JERRY (English)

A legendary rivalry reemerges when Jerry moves into New York City's finest hotel on the eve of the wedding of the century, forcing the desperate event planner to hire Tom to get rid of him. As mayhem ensues, the escalating cat-and-mouse battle soon threatens to destroy her career, the wedding, and possibly the hotel itself.

Cast: Chloe Grace Moretz, Pallavi Sharda, Colin Jost, Michael Pena
- Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

MOULIN ROUGE (English)

Christian, an English writer, travels to Paris to join the Bohemian revolution. He visits the city's biggest night club, Moulin Rouge, and falls in love with its star performer and courtesan, Satine.

Cast: Nicole Kidaman, Ewan McGregor, Jim Broadbent, John Leguizamo
- Watch on: Disney+Hotstar

A PERFECT FIT (Indonesian)

Sparks fly when a fashion blogger in Bali meets a gifted shoemaker, leading her to question her commitment to her fiancé.

Cast: Nadya Arina, Refal Hady
- Watch on: Netflix

ROAD TO PERDITION (English)

An assassin is on the run after his son witnesses a murder committed by his boss. He is torn between being loyal to his boss and saving his own child.

Cast: Tom Hanks, Paul Newman, Jude Law, Tyler Hoechlin
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Whose choice is it anyway?

OPEN SPACE
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Circa 2000 AD. I was a fresh off the university and had migrated to Mysuru, aspiring to get my doctoral degree. When a friend asked me If I could teach English literature to some fine arts students, I readily agreed. On my first day, immediately after my first class, I was summoned to the principal's chamber, who told me that I will have to wear a saree henceforth, 'or my students will never respect me'. That's when I noticed it. All my female colleagues were clad in sarees. I went home and narrated the incident to my mom-in-law, who not only lent me her lovely cottons but also helped me wear them. One month later, I went to the principal again, telling her that since I know my students well and they 'respected' me well, I would like to switch back to salwars. She agreed reluctantly, after much persuasion.

I recalled this episode recently, when a young teacher who works at a private school posted about the ordeal she faced when she decided to wear salwar kameez to work, as she felt uncomfortable in sarees. She was chastised by the school management, who told her that if she cannot wear sarees to work, she can look for a job elsewhere. This triggered a fierce debate. Many young working women wrote about their personal experiences wherein complaints were filed on them, they were looked down upon or even harassed - for not wearing sarees to work. A recent discussion had some senior ladies speaking in favour of sarees, as it upheld the 'Bharatiya Samskruthi'. A young woman wryly commented: "I wonder why men do not uphold this Samaskruthi in jam-packed buses or markets or even in our classrooms. We are touched inappropriately, leered at and commented on. We are always conscious of the male gaze while wearing a saree. Why do women have to follow a dress code, while male teachers wear jeans and sports shoes to work? Why can't we wear salwar kameez to work?"

Deepa H, a lecturer, notes that there is no official rule as such regarding what a female teacher or lecturer has to wear to work. She says many, including her, have been appealing higher officials regarding the issue.

In a welcome move from the education department, Chikkamagaluru DDPI issued a memo recently, wherein he said it is the prerogative of the staff members to be decently clad at workplace but they cannot be ordered to wear a particular kind of clothing, which would restrict their individual freedom. Numerous teachers from across the state lauded this and said they hoped other districts followed suit. They want the education minister to take note and issue an official note.

The debate is not at all against saree, but on what a woman is comfortable wearing to work. Canadian writer Annastacia Dickerson says, "The real shame is not in how a woman is dressed, but in the desire to minimise her self-worth and empowerment. That's not kind, or well meaning. It's rude and cruel."

Illustration
Soumyadip Sinha

> I had always dreamt of visiting Ladakh but could not afford to take 30 days off. We talk about work-life balance, I too wanted to pursue my passion of travelling without affecting my career
> Amabalavan, IT professional

Ambalavanan and M Aravindh

RIDE, WORK, SLEEP, REPEAT

Move over staycations, make way for work-from-road like Aravindh and his cousin Ambalavanan, who are cruising on a stealth black Royal Enfield Classic 500 to Ladakh

ADITYA VADDEPALLI

In the present Covid era, work-from-home has become a norm to reckon with. But some adrenaline junkies can't settle for the dull lifestyle that comes with it. Here are M Aravindh (31) and his cousin Ambalavanan (26), who are taking their work outside the house and on the road. Aravindh is cruising on his stealth black Royal Enfield Classic 500 with Ambalavanan to Ladakh from Dharmapuri in Tamil Nadu, but without taking a break from work.

Photo Credit: RVK Rao

The two brothers work at IT companies in Bengaluru – Aravindh works for Microland and Ambalavanan is an employee of DXC Technology. After planning the trip for six months, the brothers started their mammoth journey on Saturday. They crossed Attibele Toll Plaza and Nelamangala Toll on Saturday while passing through Bengaluru and they stayed the night at a petrol bunk in Tumkur.

They reached Hyderabad on Monday, parked their bike near Hussainsagar to log in to work, before getting ready to hit the road again. Both brothers work afternoon shifts. Aravindh logs in at 3 pm and works till 12.30 pm, while Ambalavanan works from 12 pm to 9.30 pm. The first two nights, they found the nearest petrol bunk, took the permission of the latter's management and set up their tent to steal a four-hour sleep. After waking up, they begin riding at 6-7 am and stop at noon to start working from their laptops.

Aravindh, an avid biker and vlogger, runs a YouTube channel, 'Royal Roads 500', where he often demonstrates economical ways to travel. "People usually spend a lot of money to go to a trip to Ladakh, close to ₹70,000. My idea is to show that it is possible to travel on a budget. For this trip, we would mostly spend on petrol, food and budget hotels," he says.

The duo has taken a 10-day leave for their trip to Ladakh, whereas people usually take 30-40 days of holiday. "I would have not even taken leave but because the internet connection is poor in the Himalayas, I had to take those holidays," says Aravindh.

Profession plus passion is what drove Amabalavan to this trip. "I had always dreamt of visiting Ladakh but could not afford to take 30 days off. We all talk about work-life balance; I too wanted to pursue my passion of travelling without affecting my career. Therefore, this idea made sense to me," he says. Aravindh and his brother plan to reach Delhi by August 1, where his wife Ramya, cousins Elakiya Priya and Bala will arrive by flight. Royal Enfield has provided Aravindh and his wife with riding pants, jacket, helmet and gloves. The bike company will also provide the family with two Royal Enfield Himalayans for their Ladakh trip, once they arrive in Delhi. Additionally, sports goods retailer Decathlon has provided the brothers with a tent, a portable chair and a bag. Apart from this, audio output device maker Sena has given them a pair of bluetooth headsets each, that the brothers use to coordinate with each other while riding.

Well, who says we can't mix business and pleasure!

Why 'Sa' is not equal C

(The authors run SaPa - the Subramaniam Academy of Performing Arts)

Most Indian musicians want to explore the relationship between Indian and western music, since the world is getting smaller, and we all want collaborate with artistes from different musical traditions and understand different musical styles. Here's a list of five things every Indian musician should know about western music.

1. Sa does not equal C- This is possibly the biggest misconception around the relationship between Indian and western music. Sa is not always C. It is not. Sa is the tonic, or first note of the scale. So in the Key of D, Sa is D. In the key of E, Sa.
2. Note reading isn't rocket science, but it does take practice - For most of us that have learnt music by ear, the idea of reading western notation can seem daunting, and sometimes frankly not worth the effort. Note reading is simple and straightforward. It isn't hard to learn, but to be fluent, you need to practice regularly.
3. Western music has ornamentation - Sometimes Indian musicians assume that Western music doesn't have ornamentation, like we have gamakas and other ornaments in Indian music. The truth is, western music does have ornamentation, whether it's trills and mordents or slides. Each style of western music has it's own style of ornamentation.
4. Notes make chords, make chord progressions make harmony - The idea of chords and harmonies and chord progressions can seem overwhelming to Indian musicians who are used to thinking only melodically. The thing to remember is a chord is a group of notes. A sequence of chords makes a chord progression, which is harmony. There is a lot to learn, but it's not impossible.
5. There is no single type of western music - Although many people think of it as "western music" that's a generic term that could apply to many, many styles of music, just like "Indian music" could mean anything from bhajans, bhangra or Bollywood. Figure out the stylistic elements, including ornamentation relevant to the particular style of music you want to play.

(The authors run SaPa - the Subramaniam Academy of Performing Arts)

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LOVEOLOGY
Mahesh Natarajan

OF COMPROMISE AND 'COM-PROMISE'

Do relationships require compromises? Are they inevitable, and is the willingness to compromise a crucial factor in creating successful relationships?

If you saw the Emmy-nominated *Indian Matchmaking* series, its inimitable matchmaker says quite often that compromise was needed, often as a compensatory factor for other aspects of each individual that seems to the matchmaker somewhat of a flaw or a less desirable quality in some way, perhaps the age of the person in question, their situation in life or any of a two dozen different factors that make up a person. A compromise in this context is to accept something less than what one would expect or desire for the sake of the larger deal, or just to go along with the program and make things happen. It sounds reasonable enough, and something that seems to be accepted as folk wisdom.

The challenge with compromises is that it is rarely uniform. Not all parties in the relationship are giving up something, and very often, the compromise falls on one party and continues to be so for a really long time if not for the whole duration of the relationship. The partner that compromises and leaves their lucrative corporate job for the sake of the relationship and the family, might find themselves continuing to do so, leaving their job each time something better comes along for another partner, and trailing them wherever they go. One partner ends up with an awesome career while the other trailing partner rarely gets to experience career growth. If it was truly valued and appreciated, it might be quite ok, but quite often it is not the case, and hence the other meaning of the word compromise as used in the context of someone benign compromised or them being in a compromising position, meaning to put oneself/ somebody/ something in a bad or dangerous position.

We see that so often - the party that keeps on making compromises for the sake of the relationship often ends up being compromised, ending up in a disadvantageous position, vulnerable to crisis situations and having to then fight from a really difficult position should the situation become difficult. Think the trailing partner finding that the other one finding themselves being wooed by more attractive prospects now that they are hugely successful, or the partner who compromised by taking on multiple personal loans, suddenly being left high and dry after a market crash or someone left holding children and pets that they only agreed to have for the other person's sake. It can happen in so many ways, and leaves a trail of bitterness, broken hearts, and cries of being cheated by ungrateful, selfish monsters.

It isn't that compromises are bad - at times, we do accept less than optimum solutions, but we certainly need to be wary if the compromises keep on pushing the power balance one way. Compromise is great only when it is a "com-promise", a promise for togetherness, a pledge of solidarity and connection, otherwise, it only leaves us compromised.

(The author is a counsellor with InnerSight)

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Paavana Gowda

The actor will have a unique role in Soora's directorial debut. The action thriller drama will go on floors in August

Paavana Gowda roped in to play the female lead in Srinagar Kitty's *Gowli*

CE FEATURES

Interesting projects keep coming Paavana Gowda's way. The *Kannadiga* actor has bagged the female lead role in Soora's directorial debut *Gowli*. The film will have her paired opposite Srinagar Kitty. The makers grabbed attention with the first look of Kitty, who had a bloody and menacing look.

Gowli (which means a milkman) has Soora coming up with an action thriller, which will see Paavana playing the role of a wife to Kitty. Paavana said she can't say much about the role from her end as the director has planned to release the first-look poster of her look soon along with other details. "It is yet another interesting role that has come my way, and I am looking forward to being part of the project," she says.

Paavana, who has completed shooting for Saddu.. *Vicharane Nadeyutide*, will begin shooting for *Gowli* in August, and the entire shooting will take place in Malnad. *Gowli* is produced by Raghu Singham under his production banner Sohan Film Factory. It also stars Yash Shetty as the antagonist. The film also features Sharath Lohithashwa and Sudhi of *Tagaru* fame.

The film will have Shashank Seshagiri composing music and Prajwal Gowda cranking the camera. Paavana is also part of Ravichandran's upcoming director *Sixty - Living in the Past*. She also has a lineup of releases including *Mysore Diaries, Prabhutva, Rudri, Thootumadike, Kaliveera, Mehbooba*, and *Fighter*. On the other hand, Srinagar Kitty will be seen in a pivotal role in Suni's *Avatar Purusha*, and Prajwal Devaraj-starrer *Veeram*. *Gowli* marks his comeback as a hero after a long time.

PIC: R MANU

ABHINAYA SHARADE JAYANTHI NO MORE,

THE END OF A GLORIOUS ERA

CE FEATURES

Veteran actor Jayanthi, a known name in south Indian films, passed away due to ill health on Monday night. She was 76, and leaves behind her son, Krishna Kumar.

Popularly known as Abhinaya Sharadhe, (Goddess Sharadhe of acting), the actor, was born as Kamala Kumari in Ballari to Balasubramanyam and Santhanalakshmi. The actor, who began her career with the Telugu film, *Mangalya*, made her Kannada debut with *Jenu Goodu* in 1963. She was known for her bold roles in films like *Bettada Huli, Miss Leelavathi, Chandavalliya Thota*, and *Bahaddur Gandu*.

Having acted in more than 500 films in different languages, the stalwart in Kannada cinema has worked with top stars of Sandalwood. She was the only actor who got to act alongside the legendary Dr Rajkumar in over 40 films from 1964 to 1976. She proved her acting brilliance in films like *Tumbida Koda, Manasiddare Marga, Pratigne, Mantralaya Mahatma, Lagna Patrike, Chakrathirtha, Jedara Bale, Rowdy Ranganna, Immadi Pulakeshi, CID Rajanna, Sri Krishna, Paropakaari, Devaraya*, and *Kasthuri Nivasa*. But her performance as Onake Obbava in Vishnuvardhan's *Nagarahaavu* remains iconic.

She was 76, and leaves behind her son, Krishna Kumar

She is equally remembered for her character in *Eddakallu Guddada Mele*. The actor has also worked with other top actors like Kalyan Kumar, Vishnuvardhan, and Srinath, among other lead actors, and has churned out classic cults with filmmakers like Puttanna Kanagal and Dorai-Bhagavan.

Jayanthi has also worked in Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Hindi, and Marathi languages. She was frequently paired opposite Gemini Ganesan. In Tamil, she acted with all major stars including MG Ramachandran, Muhuraman, Nagesh and Jaishankar. Jayanthi was part of an English show — *Brown Nation* (2016) and was part of a Tele serial — *Vasantham* (2009-2010).

The actor has won six State awards for Best actress for *Edakallu Guddada Mele, Manasinanthe Malgalya, Dharma Dari Tappithu*, and *Masanada Hoovu*, and best supporting actor for her role in *Anand* and *Tuvvi Tuvvi Tuvvi*. She was bestowed with Dr Rajkumar Lifetime Achievement Award during 2005-2006, besides Dr Rajkumar Souharda award and Kannada Rajyotsava award. Dr Jayanthi has also ventured in production and direction. She helmed and produced films like *Vijay* in 1982 and *En Swamy Aliyandre* in 1989. Sandalwood film fraternity mourned the demise of the irreplaceable talent, Jayanthi, who always considered herself to be part of one big family, the film industry.

NINNA SANIHAKE'S RELEASE DATE FIXED

The rom-com starring Suraj Gowda, who is also making his directorial debut, will also be Dhanya Ramkumar's first film. A trailer of the film to be launched on August 1

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Many filmmakers are planning to release their films on Varamahalakshmi (August 20). Makers of *Salaga* and *Lanke* have already fixed it as the release date, and now, Suraj Gowda's *Ninna Sanihake* will also hit the theatres on the same day.

Suraj, who is making his directorial debut with *Ninna Sanihake*, took to his social media to make an official announcement. He wrote, "They say the longer you wait the sweeter the result. Finally, after a slight delay, *Ninna Sanihake* is ready to hit the screens. A dream of so many of us, each wanting to make our mark in the film industry, is now ready for you to see. This is my first film as a writer and director and I am eager to know your take on it. We are releasing on the auspicious day of Varamahalakshmi, August 20. We will see you in a cinema hall near you, Nimma Sanihake (sic)." The highlight of the film, written by Suraj Gowda, will be its songs composed by Raghu Dixit with lyrics penned by Vasuki Vaibhav. Made under the banner of White and Grey Pictures, *Ninna Sanihake* is produced by Akshay Rajshekar and Ranganath Kudli, and it has cinematography by Abhilash Kalathy. *Ninna Sanihake* also marks the debut of Dhanya Ramkumar, who is equally excited about the release. The debutant wrote, "We've come full circle. On the 20th of August 2021, my first ever feature film *Ninna Sanihake* is all set to hit the theatres. We've put our heart and soul into this project and I'm elated to finally be sharing it with you! Grateful for the support and love y'all have shown me through this journey, hope you fall in love with our film as much as we have. Dreams do come true, and this is proof (sic)."

The makers, who are gearing up for the release, are planning a trailer launch on August 1.

A still from *Ninna Sanihake*

'BOXING IS NOT A RICH MAN'S SPORT'

... says Farhan Akhtar, who, along with director Rakeysh Omprakash Mehra and co-stars Mrunal Thakur and Hussain Dalal, chat about *Toofaan*, a boxing drama out on Amazon Prime Video

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There are enough Muhammad Ali references in *Toofaan* to border on the screechy. The affection, though, is mostly heartfelt, as lead star Farhan Akhtar readily enthuses about the American legend. "By far (he's the greatest)," Farhan says. "Not only for what he did inside the ring but also what he did outside of it."

In *Toofaan*, Farhan shares more than a surname with Ali. As Mumbai street fighter Aziz Ali, he watches a video of the late heavyweight champ and decides he wants to box too. Late in the film, a commentator likens Aziz's fighting style with Muhammad Ali's. Even his comeback – after a gap of five years – echoes Ali's Rumble In the Jungle return, famously enshrined in the documentary When We Were Kings and in Michael Mann's Ali.

Yet what doesn't match up is the sheer spit and fire. Out on Amazon Prime Video, Rakeysh Omprakash Mehra's film is achingly tame, the story of a gangster transformed by the ring. The original idea came from Farhan, who passed it on to Anjum Rajabali to write and develop. As with Bhaag Milkha Bhaag (2013), Farhan's transformation in Toofaan has been hailed: he gained and lost 15 kilos for the two timelines, besides picking up the sport from scratch. He also immersed himself in the history of boxing, rooted as it is in race, class, religion and politics.

"Rich people's kids don't box," Farhan elaborates. "I remember listening to a podcast of Mike Tyson where he was talking about his son wanting to box. And Mike Tyson was like 'Why do you want to do that? You go to a private school!'"

Toofaan reflects this gap through the orphaned Aziz rising up from the streets of Dongri. A Muslim boxer from a tough neighbourhood, he's quickly put through the wringer. He finds a coach in Nana Prabhu (Paresh Rawal), whose acceptance of Aziz is offset by his deep bigotry towards Muslims.

"I felt I could have a conversation through this story," Rakeysh says about crafting a film for its time. "As a director, my job is to find an expression. Yes, the film is not about preaching or (giving) a message but it definitely has a voice."

Earlier, Rakeysh admits, he wasn't a big fan of boxing. That changed when he started interacting with club-and-national-level boxers and understanding their journeys. He met boxers from the North-East, from villages in Haryana, from the Army. "99% of boxers in the world come from some real struggle, whether it's Black America or the India of today."

Shooting in Dongri, Rakeysh was moved by the goodwill of the local residents, who opened up their houses and also joined in as extras. Nana Prabhu's club, meanwhile, was located in a basement in Shivaji Park in Dadar (a Marathi-dominated area). These contrasts helped bring alive the different shades of Mumbai. "We shot Aziz's house in a 10x10 feet room on the third floor of a congested building in Nagpada," Rakeysh shares. "Because the characters were so real, we had to shoot in real locations."

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Mrunal Thakur, who plays a doctor and Aziz's romantic interest, says that between shots, they would ditch the vanity van and sit in little shops lining the streets. Unaccustomed to that part of the city, she was struck by how industrious everyone was. "People would get up at 4 o' clock and offer us tea," she recalls. "Because I'm a Maharashtrian, I was able to blend in easily."

As Nana Prabhu's daughter Ananya, Mrunal anchors the film emotionally. She's most affecting in the middle stretch, when Ananya and Aziz are struggling to make it on their own. "People assumed this would be a typical supporting role for me again," says Mrunal (Super 30, Batla House). "But she is a crucial part of the story. Also, at a time when there's so much loss around us, Ananya's character represents that element of hope in us."

The toughest gig in the film, though, fell on Hussain Dalal. Hussain plays Munna, Aziz's best friend. In one scene, asked if he's heard of Muhammad Ali, he calls him a punk from a nearby gully. Surely that took some guts? "It's just the character," Hussain laughs. "A guy like Munna has no clue who Muhammad Ali is. It's also a really common name. So we took the liberty to joke on that."